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## VISCOUNT CECIL.

Resigns From Cabinet on Disarmament Issue.

NO PERSONAL GRIEVANCE.

But Agreement on Broad Policy Non-Existent.

PREMIER MAKES DETAILED REPLY.

Viscount Cecil, Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster, has resigned from the Cabinet because his personal views regarding disarmament are in conflict with those of the Premier and his colleagues in the Government. In a letter to the Premier he emphasises that he has experienced no difficulty with his fellow workers at Geneva, but suggests a difference of opinion on questions of broad policy. He considers disarmament the most important public matter of the day and that the chief energies of the Government should be concentrated on it.

The Premier in the course of a long letter accepting Viscount Cecil's resignation says that the ex-Minister exaggerates any differences there might have been and suggests that he had practically his own way in drafting the British instructions at Geneva. Mr. Baldwin acknowledges that the question of disarmament is full of difficulties, but points out that that is no reason why they should throw up the sponge.

## WHY THROW UP THE SPONGE?

London, Yesterday.  
Viscount Cecil has resigned. It was announced definitely this afternoon that Viscount Cecil had confirmed his resignation from the Cabinet on the ground of dissatisfaction with the course of policy on disarmament. Viscount Cecil will therefore not go to Geneva.

His Reasons.  
Viscount Cecil's letter to Mr. Baldwin emphasises that the resignation is in nowise due to any personal difficulty. On the contrary he pays tributes to his colleagues' kindness and consideration. "Least of all have I a grievance against Mr. Bridge-

the British Empire, in regard to which successive British administrations, with the full approval of the Dominions, had not only favoured arbitration theoretically, but had availed themselves of it practically and disarmed to the limits of national safety.

The Premier emphasises that this policy does not differ materially from Viscount Cecil's, and whatever differences had arisen did not relate to the broad policy of peace and disarmament so much as on the means by which the policy could be effectively forwarded.

"Drafted Own Instructions"  
As regards the preparatory commission, the Premier says: "You presided on the sub-committee preparing the British case and practically drafted your own instructions."

Mr. Baldwin at present refrains from entering into details of the naval conference, but repeats that Viscount Cecil exaggerates whatever differences existed and denies the Government is blameworthy in connection with the breakdown. On the contrary it worked for a compromise to the last and refused to share Viscount Cecil's pessimism.

The Premier quotes the progress made by other if less ambitious methods like the Washington Conference, the Locarno Treaty and the settlement with Turkey, all of which led to a measure of disarmament and points out that Britain's expenditure on armaments has fallen yearly. He hopes that even the naval conference may yet result not only in an early reduction of naval expenditure but ultimately in a better understanding of each other's problems.

Age Long Problem.  
Mr. Baldwin acknowledges that the difficulties are many and great, but that is no reason for throwing the sponge. It was a task statesmen had to learn from failure no less than from success, especially in regard to this age-long problem, which had baffled all efforts of a permanent solution.—*Reuter.*

His Career.  
Viscount Cecil of Chelwood is better known to the public as Lord Robert Cecil and is the third son of the late Marquis of Salisbury. The Viscountcy was created in 1923, and since November 1924 he has been Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster. Since the formation of the coalition Government during the war and even before, however, Lord Robert Cecil (as he was then) held a number of diplomatic appointments and was engaged on Government missions of importance. He was educated at Eton and University College, Oxford, and acted as private secretary to his father before being called to the Bar. He was appointed a K.C. in 1900, and first sat in Parliament as Conservative member for East Marylebone from 1906 to 1910. He was assistant secretary of State for Foreign Affairs in 1915-16, Minister of Blockade

## NORTHERN DEFEAT.

Admitted By Rescued Soldiery.

FIGHT FOR NANKING.

Civil Population Of Chinkiang Conscripted By Military.

Kiukiang, Yesterday.  
Troop in small batches passed down the river yesterday.

Wuhu, Yesterday.  
Small troop movements are reported. Ships continue to be the object of firing from the shore. On Sunday night four British steamers were heavily fired on from the right bank below the town. They were hit in several places but there were no casualties.

Convoys between Wuhu and Vine Point are now re-started.

Nanking, Yesterday.  
The Northerners are reported to have effected a crossing above Morrison Point and Nationalist troops have moved out of the city to meet them. No gun fire, however, has yet been heard.

Previous to the above report it was learned that the Seventh Army had been sent down river to repulse the Northerners and that they were prevented from crossing.

The Southerners in the city are now confident of being able to stop the Northerners getting across the river at this juncture.

Soldiers of the Ninth Northern Army have been picked up in the water by H.M.S. "Witherington." These admit they were defeated by the Nationalists.

Chinkiang, Yesterday.  
The authorities have followed the installation of martial law by conscripting the civil population for military purposes. All transports are ready to leave at short notice, and some of the officials have already left.

Heavy gunfire was heard to the west south-west yesterday morning, and it is reported that Northern troops are crossing in junks to Rose Island. Firing on ships continues.—*British Naval Wireless.*

Yangtze Fighting.  
Shanghai, Yesterday.  
The war news is very conflicting, but it appears that despite the fact that the Northerners have been severely hindered by lack of transport across the Yangtze, the Southerners are feeling the pinch of the Northern offensive.

From Nanking the Southerners are reported to be withdrawing to prepared positions behind Nanking leaving only a few troops in the town.

Northern Prisoners.  
Shanghai, Yesterday.  
Nine hundred Northern prisoners arrived at Shanghai today.

The Northerners attempted to cross the river at another point between Shanghai and Nanking but were repulsed.—*Reuter.*

Japan and Shantung.

Tokyo, Yesterday.  
It is learned from an apparently reliable source that the Government have decided to withdraw their troops from Shantung to Dairen and Japan, and that a proclamation to that effect is expected shortly.—*Reuter.*

Woosung Not Calm.

Shanghai, Aug. 28.  
Woosung is not yet calm. There are four or five naval ships anchored in the port, to watch for the approach of enemy ships. At 8 p.m. daily sentries are sent out at Woosung where martial law is enforced from 10 p.m. to 5 a.m.

No news of a military movement in Pungchow Ku (Nantung-chow) can be obtained at Woosung, the two places being 60 miles apart.

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for two years during the War and Lord Privy Seal in 1923-24. At the recent disarmament conference at Geneva he was the chief British delegate.

Talk With Premier.  
London, Yesterday.  
Mr. and Mrs. Baldwin left London for Aix-les-Bains on a three weeks' holiday.

The Prime Minister previously conversed with Lord Cecil with regard to the possibility of the latter's resignation.

Resignation Deferred.

London, Yesterday.  
Newspapers say that as the result of Lord Cecil's talk with Mr. Baldwin yesterday evening, Lord Cecil agreed to defer his resignation until Mr. Baldwin returned from the Continent.—*Reuter.*

## CHAIWAN MURDER.

Late Mrs. Mackay's Alleged Assailants.

TWO IN COURT.

Police Story Of Brutal Attack On Women.

The preliminary hearing of the case in which two Chinese were charged with the murder of Mrs. Rose Mackay at Chaiwan on the evening of Saturday, August 6, was opened at the Central Magistracy before Mr. R. E. Lindsell this morning.

The case for the Crown was conducted by Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith, Assistant Crown Solicitor. The accused were not legally represented.

Outlining the case for the prosecution, Mr. Whyte-Smith said the deceased lady was the wife of Mr. Charles Mackay, a time-keeper of the Talkoo Dock-

## CHIANG KAI-SHEK IN COLONY.

On Way To Europe From Shanghai.

The "China Mail" is informed that Chiang Kai-shek arrived in Hong Kong this morning as a third-class passenger aboard the M.M.S. "Chenonceaux" and left this afternoon by the same steamer bound for Marseilles via Suez.

It is understood that his ultimate destination is the United States.

Inquiry at the office of the Messageries Maritimes this morning elicited no definite information regarding the notorious passenger, Chiang, of course, is not travelling under his own name.

There are 100 first-class Chinese passengers from Shanghai on the "Chenonceaux," bound for Marseilles, and all are classified as "students."

yard. She lived in Talkoo quarters at Blackhead. Living with them about the time of the murder was a nephew of Mrs. Mackay named Walter Eckert, aged 14, who was on a short visit from Shanghai.

On the afternoon of August 6 Mrs. Mackay and Walter went to visit Mrs. and Miss Barker on the island in Chaiwan Bay. They had tea and bathed there and left the island on the return trip home at about 7.15 p.m. Walter carried a basket containing the bathing things, while Mrs. Mackay carried a lady's handbag which probably contained a good deal of money, as that day she was known to have taken her money with her because there were workmen in her house.

Met Two Men.

It was the practice of Mrs. Mackay to visit the island in Chaiwan Bay once or twice a week. She always took the uphill road which joined the Stanley motor road. On this occasion, after walking for about a quarter of an hour they reached a point about 400 yards from the junction with the motor road. Here there were a good many steps as the road was produced. As they approached these steps they saw two Chinese men coming towards them.

One man was taller than the other, and Walter noticed this as well as certain particulars of their dress. As the men passed Mrs. Mackay and Walter, the latter noticed the taller man stare at the basket which he (Walter) was carrying.

They continued on their way. After they had gone another 75 yards or so they heard steps behind them. Walter looked behind him and saw the same two men were coming back after them.

When Mrs. Mackay and Walter reached a spot on the road where there was a stone bridge on culvert over a nullah, the two men separated them by pushing their way in between them. Then the taller man pushed Walter into the nullah on the right of the bridge. This was a deep nullah with undergrowth and bushes, so that anyone pushed into it was unable to see what was going on on the bridge.

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## AIR DRAMA.

U.S. Millionaire's Flight From Paris.

PURSUED BY AVIATOR.

Charles Levine Lands Own Machine At Croydon.

London, Yesterday.  
Mr. Charles Levine, the American millionaire who flew the Atlantic with Chamberlain on July 8 and who since his arrival in Europe has been the subject of a very lively controversy as to the question of what pilot was to accompany him back to America, dropped a metaphorical bomb into French aviation circles by unexpectedly taking his own aeroplane, "Miss Columbia," which for the past few weeks has been kept in a shed of the Le Bourget aerodrome, Paris, and has been unable to leave chiefly owing to differences of opinion between Levine and the French pilot, Drouhin, in whose favour Levine signed a contract engaging him as pilot for a year at a salary of Frs. 100,000.

Levine to-day visited Le Bourget, ostensibly to test the engine and suddenly rose and headed northwards. Drouhin immediately leapt into another aeroplane and started in pursuit. Levine landed at Croydon.

Cool as Cucumber.

Professional pilots at the Croydon aerodrome held their breath and gasped at the astonishing performance of "Miss Columbia" which arrived this afternoon. Levine, after several circuits of the aerodrome, missed, sudden death by inches when he nearly collided with the observation tower. Once he hit the ground and rose again and eventually landed safely as cool as a cucumber.

He explained that it was not his first solo flight, but was the longest.

Levine interviewed in London, said he was anxious to refly the Atlantic and got tired of waiting, so he decided to take matters into his own hands and might pilot himself across.

Paris, Yesterday.  
Drouhin is very indignant at Levine's departure and says he will investigate the possibilities of seizing "Miss Columbia" in London.—*Reuter.*

Not Running Away.

Interviewed by the Press Association, Levine declared he had run away from no one. Drouhin would receive every penny due under the contract but Levine thought it was a mistake to fly the Atlantic with a man speaking no English.

## ANOTHER TRANS-ATLANTIC FLIGHT.

G.\$250,000 Prize For Canadian Effort.

London (Ontario), Yesterday.

An aeroplane, named "Sir John Carling," piloted by Captain Tully and Lieutenant Metcalfe, started at 6 o'clock this morning to attempt to fly across the Atlantic to London.

Tully and Metcalfe are flying a Stinson monoplane for a prize of a quarter of million dollars, offered by Mr. Charles Burns.

Both airmen have resigned from the Ontario Forest Patrol Service in order to undertake the flight, which is initiated by a Canadian brewery firm.

Tully was wounded in the Dardanelles and holds the Air Force Cross, while Metcalfe, who served in the British Navy for seven years, has flown in the Atlantic, Mediterranean and the Red Sea.—*Reuter.*

Turns Back.

New York, Yesterday.  
The monoplane "Sir John Carling" encountered a storm south of Oakville and returned to London, Ontario.—*Reuter's American Service.*

## WORLD FLIGHT.

"Pride of Detroit" at Munich.

Munich, Yesterday.

The "Pride of Detroit" has landed here.—*Reuter.*

On To Germany.

London, Yesterday.

The "Pride of Detroit" took off from Croydon for Munich this morning.—*Reuter.*

## SHARE DEALINGS.

Mr. Razack Closely Cross-examined By Counsel.

A "ROTTEN SYSTEM."

Suggestions About Books Indignantly Repudiated.

NO RECORDS OF CERTAIN PAYMENTS.

Mr. M. A. Razack, plaintiff in the \$33,818.93 shares claim at the Supreme Court, was closely cross-examined by Mr. F. C. Jenkin (counsel for defence) at this morning's hearing regarding the system of accounts obtaining in his office.

After admitting that there was no record in the books of certain payments made by Mr. P. N. Cooper (defendant) plaintiff agreed that "it was a rotten system of accounting."

A counterclaim receipt book which had been lost also figured in the remarks of counsel who made suggestions regarding entries which were indignantly repudiated.

## MISSING RECEIPT BOOK.

The claim is in respect of dealings in Tramway, Green Island, Dock, Land and other shares prior to the crisis on the share-market in June, 1925.

Mr. F. C. Jenkin resumed his cross-examination of Mr. Razack when the Court opened this morning. He reminded plaintiff that they were considering the balance outstanding of \$1,730.08 which plaintiff stated became a balance due on May 21, 1925.

Plaintiff said he recollected, adding that he had handed in certain books.

"In A Heat."  
Mr. Jenkin: On June 23 when you got in a heat and decided to sue Mr. Cooper for the balance due on April settlement, it was in the "Bad and Doubtful Debts" book that you looked for the balance you alleged to be due of \$7,952?

Witness shewed considerable hesitation in answering and consulted several books, alleging that the item also appeared in the Redemption book after certain calculations had been made as to payments.

Counsel put it to witness that when he got angry with Mr. Cooper and told his (witness's) brother that he was going to sue Cooper on the balance of the April account it would be in the "Bad and Doubtful Debts" book alone that he would look for the figures.

Witness continued to refer to the other book, but counsel pointed out that for calculations to be made on that entry it would be necessary to keep figures as to amounts already paid in the head of the person making out the account. Witness eventually agreed that it was obvious that the "Bad and Doubtful Debts" book could be the only one referred to.

A "Forgotten" Account.

Mr. Jenkin: That account also shews \$1,730.08 due in connection with a Dock transaction (your second claim). How is it that although you were in a rage with Mr. Cooper on June 23 and had made up your mind to sue him for every outstanding indebtedness of his to you that you did not at that time include this amount of \$1,730 which now appears in your claim?

Witness: If I had remembered about the Docks, I would have included them in the claim at the beginning.

Mr. Jenkin: I put it to you that the reason was that this amount was not due.

Witness: It was due. I am not here to tell lies but to tell all I know and all I remember. At the time I had forgotten it.

Mr. Jenkin: When Mr. Cooper, through his solicitors, denied he owed you anything in regard to the Tramway shares, which to your mind meant repudiation of an action which was taken on express instructions on his behalf, you got even angrier with him.

Witness: I was very annoyed.

Mr. Jenkin: You were in a towering rage?

Witness: I was very annoyed. Mr. Cooper did not behave like a gentleman. He took advantage of the situation because he had not signed the contract.

Mr. Jenkin: And in spite of your feelings being so roused, you still forgot in making out your claim, the amount of \$1,730.

Witness: Yes.

Book Corrections.

Counsel then referred to vari-

ous corrections which had been made in one of the books and asked in whose writing they were.

Witness replied that they were in the handwriting of Mr. Loureiro, an accountant (now deceased) whom he employed especially for getting out a statement of witness's affairs.

Witness further stated that he was ignorant so far as accounts were concerned. His brother had kept the books, the accountant acting on his instructions.

Witness admitted that there was no record in the books of payments of \$4,000 and \$1,000 by Mr. Cooper. There had been a record in the counterfoil receipt book but this book had been handed to Mr. Arculli (witness's solicitor) and had been lost in the process of moving from one office to the other.

Asked how he knew the book had been lost in this way, witness said that a clerk in the employ of Mr. Arculli told him.

Mr. Jenkin: It is certainly curious.

Witness: It may be.

A "Rotten System."  
Mr. Jenkin: It is a rotten system of accounting under which these payments do not appear in any of your books.

Witness: I agree with you.

Referring to another amount paid by Mr. Cooper, counsel pointed out to witness in the books how that it was marked in red pencil and that no balance was put down as outstanding. With regard to all other such items in the book the amount was put down in the ordinary way—so much received and so much outstanding.

Counsel suggested that the reason why this account was not in the ordinary way was because it was put in lately.

Witness: No, no, Mr. Jenkin. Nothing of the kind.

Witness went on to state that his brother was largely responsible for the system of accounting. He could not understand why his brother had not entered this item in the ordinary way.

Counsel stressed the point that this particular item was unique compared with all other accounts in the books. As a matter of accounting it stood by itself.

Discrepancy in Figures.

Counsel also questioned witness regarding an entry in another book as to how the amount of \$7,422.50 (mentioned in the claim in respect of the April settlement) had been arrived at.

The entry in question had been made a fortnight ago, witness stated, when a discrepancy in figures was brought to his notice.

Witness was of opinion that the discrepancy was due to his having told his brother to waive brokerage and stamp duty.

Mr. Jenkin: And this item was made up when you were struggling to account for this \$430 discrepancy and you made a calculation not only as to brokerage but as to stamps. I put it to you that within the last few days you have been informed by your lawyers that you must account for this difference by calculation of brokerage and stamp duty and you have failed to do it.

Witness replied that the amount certainly did not tally.

Witness denied, however, that he was "boosting" the figures to try and account for the difference by calculating at a wrong rate.

The case is proceeding.



Viscount Cecil.

man, with whom I worked in the closest agreement at Geneva, but on the broad policy of disarmament the majority of the Cabinet and myself are not really agreed."

He thinks that the limitation of armaments is the most important public question of the day and that the chief energies of the Government ought to be concentrated thereon.

Viscount Cecil alludes to the spring session preparatory to the disarmament conference when he was repeatedly compelled to maintain propositions which were difficult to reconcile with a serious desire for success. Nevertheless, he went to the recent conference believing that an agreement was reachable. Unfortunately failure followed, and the causes for it may have to be probed when Parliament meets. In the meantime it was sufficient to say that he was out of sympathy with the instructions he received and he believed an agreement might be reached on terms which would have sacrificed no essential British interest.

Differences Exaggerated.

The Prime Minister, in the course of a letter accepting Viscount Cecil's resignation, thinks that Viscount Cecil exaggerates any differences that have arisen whether recently or in the earlier days of the Government, and cites a passage from a speech by Sir A. Chamberlain at Geneva shortly after the Government came into office dwelling on the sympathy of the peace ideals of







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#### AGAINST OCEAN STEAMSHIP CO.

In H. M. Supreme Court, Shanghai, on Monday last, before his Honour Judge Grain, a case of the utmost importance to British merchants in China was commenced. The questions involved are a steamship company's liability to fulfill contractual obligations to the Commissioner of Customs, and the liability of the Commissioner of Customs to furnish a customs release permit to merchants when the legal import duty of 5 per cent. ad valorem, as provided in the treaties with the Chinese Government, has been paid, bearing in mind the fact that the Commissioner of Customs has been instructed by civil and military factions, not recognised by Great Britain, to abstain from issuing release permits to merchants, unless the customs memo bears the stamp of the tax bureau showing that an additional tax imposed by such civil and military factions, has been paid.

The plaintiff company is Messrs. Gande, Price, Ltd. and the defendant steamship company is the Ocean Steamship Company, Ltd. Mr. M. Reader Harris appeared for the plaintiff and Mr. H. Lipson for the defendant. The plaintiff company's claim is set out in the writ of summons as follows:—"The plaintiff claim is for the delivery of 75 cases of Tennant's Lager beer marked 'G.P. Shanghai 576/650' wrongfully detained by the defendants, or Hak-kuan Tis, 678, their value."

#### Legality of Detention.

Mr. Reader Harris in opening the plaintiff's case said:—"As I propose to ask your Lordship to hear this case at an early date, it is necessary for me to outline the plaintiff's claim in some detail. The cargo is lying in the defendant company's godown and the question involved is the legality of the detention. In pursuance of a treaty made in 1842 with the Chinese Government, the Chinese Maritime Customs were empowered to collect a customs duty of 5 per cent. and no more on imported goods."

In accordance with the Washington Conference, 1922, two new taxes have recently been imposed, namely the 2 1/2 per cent. surtax and the 2 1/2 per cent. luxury tax, and these taxes have been paid by British merchants under protest. There has now come into being a new bureau known as the Stamp Tax Bureau of Kiangsu, and this body is endeavouring to put into force a tariff autonomy, which the Chinese Government tried, without success, to accomplish at the Washington Conference.

This bureau notified the public, through the Press, that commencing on August 11, a further tax of 30 per cent. would be levied on wines and spirits and the method of collection proposed was that merchants should pay the tax to the Nationalist tax bureau.

#### The Customs Duties.

The Chinese Customs, in accordance with the treaties, only collect the agreed 5 per cent. duty, and in the ordinary course of events, a release permit was issued on payment of this 5 per cent., which entitled importers to take delivery of their goods from the steamship company. Importers have refused to pay the additional tax of 30 per cent. and the tax bureau has instructed the Commissioner of Customs not to issue a stamped release permit unless the shipping documents or customs memo bears the stamp of the tax bureau indicating that the additional tax of 30 per cent. has been paid. In the absence of the production of this voucher, the Commissioner of Customs has refused to issue release permits, although importers have paid the 5 per cent. authorised by treaty, and in view of the fact that the Nationalist Government proposes to levy a further tax of 57 1/2 per cent. on September 1, it is urgent that this case be heard at an early date.

Mr. Lipton Ward addressed his Lordship for the defendants and said:—"My clients are the owners of Holt's Wharf and have no interest at all in the goods claimed, and are quite willing to agree to an early hearing of the case. His Lordship:—"Without pleadings?"

Position of Customs Commissioner. Counsel:—"Yes, my Lord, without pleadings. My clients are a peculiar position; they have signed agreements with the Commissioner of Customs which entitle them to certain discharging facilities. The purpose of these agreements is that in consideration of being allowed to discharge cargo direct to Holt's Wharf, they guarantee that goods so discharged will not be released except on production of a Customs stamped permit. They are therefore under a contractual liability to the Commissioner of Customs and the agreement is guaranteed by other companies. It is the desire of my clients that the Commissioner of Customs be given an opportunity to intervene in these proceedings."

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### BEFORE HSUCHOWFU

#### NORTHERN ADVANCE ON HSUCHOWFU.

#### DEFECTION OF BRIGADE COMMANDERS.

A special correspondent in the Field, writes in the Shanghai "Daily News":—"It was on the morning of July 14, while all our French friends in Shanghai would be looking forward to a day of festivity and fireworks that three of us met by arrangement at the Tsingpu railway station for the 7.45 train to see something of the fireworks which the Ankuochun leaders in Shantung had promised to stage in a day or two on the southern Shantung front. I had expected to make the trip alone, but two days earlier a journalist from Denmark, Mr. A. Krarup Nielsen had turned up in Tsinan and expressed a desire to go along, and at the eleventh hour my friend Capt. Betts of the American Military Attaché's office in Peking stopped off en route for the same locality, so the three of us had pooled interests and the morning of the 14th found us waiting at the station—and waiting at 9.30 for the 7.45 train.

Trouble in Getting to the Front. Up to then in spite of the heavy movement of troops to the south the passenger service had been maintained with creditable regularity, and after the recent retirement from across the Grand Canal the trains had been leaving according to time-table as far as Yenchow, but apparently the last rush of troops in preparation for the announced drive on Suchow had at last, for the time being, at least, put the passenger service quite out of consideration. This became the more apparent when the wheezy yard engine attached to the passenger train was uncoupled and switched on to the track accommodating a troop train also waiting to go south, and after a hasty consultation we decided to abandon our comfortable first class quarters and cast in our lot with the soldiers.

I had been fortunate in securing a military pass from the high command in Peking, and it is through that another from Shantung Tupan Chang Chung-chang, as also one from the headquarters of the Russian contingents, so we were well equipped with credentials. The waiting troops were Chihli men of Chu Yu-pu's command attached to the sixth army and the value of Tupan Chang's pass was immediately apparent, as the Colonel in charge after looking it over said that we would be quite welcome on his train and invited us to travel in the officers' car. There were no seats, but it was not crowded and with our own bed rolls to sit upon we did quite well.

#### The Mystery of Sun's Troops.

The wreck of an engine with 30 cars to draw could not do better than ten miles on the level and on the up grades fairly crept, but we reached Tsinan at 5 p.m. and were fortunate to find Mr. Anglin and his wife, of the Assemblies of God Mission still in possession, and able to offer us comfortable accommodation for the night. We had expected to find a large number of Marshal Sun Chuan-fang's troops concentrated at Tsinan, but learned that none were left but the 4th and 8th Divisions which with part of the 22nd Chihli (or Chihli-Shantung Federation) Division were the only troops in the place. And here in lay something of a mystery, for

and with that idea in view I have prepared a notice. I propose to ask your Lordship to instruct the Registrar to serve a copy of this notice on the Commissioner of Customs. It is as follows:—"To F. W. Maze, Commissioner of Customs, Shanghai. Gande, Price, Ltd. and the Ocean Steamship Company, Ltd. Take notice that the above named plaintiff claims against the above named defendant herein: the delivery of 75 cases of Tennant's Lager beer marked G. P. Shanghai 576/650 (being the consignment referred to in the letter from His Britannic Majesty's Consul-General to you dated August 18, 1927), alleged to be wrongfully detained by the defendants, or Hak-kuan Tis, 678, their value. And also take notice that the Court has fixed the trial of this action for Thursday, the 25th day of August, 1927, at 10 a.m. And further take notice that you are at liberty to appear and make application herein or otherwise as you may be advised."

Early Hearing Asked For. Mr. Lipton Ward added:—"Would your Lordship direct that one copy of this document be signed by the Registrar and served on the Commissioner of Customs. Subject to that being done, my clients are only of the matter should come before your Lordship at the earliest possible moment."

His Lordship:—"How many days' notice do you suggest should be given to the Commissioner of Customs?" Mr. Lipton Ward:—"The Commissioner of Customs is fully aware, my Lord, of this matter and I think short notice would be sufficient."

His Lordship:—"How long will the argument take?" Mr. Reader Harris:—"I think one morning would be sufficient."

Mr. Lipton Ward:—"It depends, I think, on the Commissioner of Customs. I myself, shall take only a few minutes."

His Lordship:—"I will give the directions following your application and will set the case down for Thursday next at 10 a.m. If you do not state, we can go on, on Friday morning."



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It had been officially announced that the whole of Marshal Sun's command which had passed through Tsinan was proceeding to the southern front by rail, and one could at the moment only assume that his men were making the journey to the front on foot on account of the extreme congestion on the railway.

On the next day, we again missed the passenger train, but were again fortunate in getting another lift on a troop train with only an hour's wait, and reached Yenchow in the early afternoon. Unlike Tsinan, Yenchow gave every evidence of being a centre of concentration point, for seven long troop trains were lined up side by side and General Chu Yu-pu's private train was along side the platform. We quickly found quarters, this time with the German Roman Catholic fathers and immediately afterwards set out for the headquarters of General Chu Yu-pu. The Tupan was at the time in conference with General Hsu K'un at transportation headquarters but we had a talk with his chief of staff. This officer could not, or more likely would not, give any information as to the disposition of troops, but he laid emphasis on the point that the Chihli forces in co-operation with Sun Chuan-fang were about to launch a well-organised and extended offensive, and said that if we would call in the morning we could get more particulars from the Tupan or that we could get more complete information from General Hsu K'un at transport headquarters.

Defection of Two Brigades. On the following morning we learned at the transport headquarters that during the night the Tupan had returned to Tsinan and that Gen. Hsu K'un had gone on to the front headquarters at Chiehho, but we got from the chief of staff in charge of transport a most interesting piece of information which might well account for the recent sudden retreat of the Northern armies after they had driven the Southerners over the border in two days' fighting. We learned that on July 10, the defection of two Brigadier-Generals had seriously upset plans by placing a force of 20,000 men in the rear of the advance. It was discovered that General Tu Hsien-chien of the 22nd Division had been in traitorous communication with the enemy and had supplied the notorious bandit chief Liu Hsi-chih with a quantity of arms and ammunition, enabling him to make a demonstration north of Lincheng. At the same time General Ho Wen-liang of the Sixth Army started a precipitate retreat, spreading the report that the advance had been outflanked and that a powerful army lay across the railway north of Lincheng. The result was a rush to the rear where Liu Hsi-chih (Black Liu the seventh) really was attacking the railway. When his forces were beaten back into the mountains and the plot had failed, both generals Tu Hsien-chien and Ho Wen-liang were apprehended and both were executed in Yenchow on the 13th. But they succeeded in

obliging the offensive to fall back behind Lincheng for several days.

#### Feeble Southern Resistance.

It was emphasised, however, that this first advance had been in the nature of a preliminary feeler and had only advanced into Kiangsu as a result of the feeble resistance met with and the apparent opportunity of taking and holding Hsuehchow until the fully organised offensive planned for some days later could be launched. We wished to know what opportunity there might be for continued transport to the front, and were again fortunate, for the messenger sent out to make inquiries returned almost immediately with the Brigadier-General of General Hsu K'un's guards who was just about to leave for Fenghsien, and he invited us to travel in his own private car with the first of his two troop trains. We gladly accepted and in ten minutes more were again rolling southward with hopes of that day being able to interview Commander-in-Chief of the front Hsu K'un at Chiehho where he had established advanced headquarters.

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"Amrum" (934) Dutch, from Foochow, A.P.C.  
"Toyooka Maru" (4,388) Japanese, from Singapore, N.Y.K.-200 tons general cargo for Hong Kong, 6,015 tons general (through).  
"Shunko Maru" (5,027) Japanese, from Singapore, O.S.K.-2 passengers, 149 tons general cargo for Hong Kong, 4,079 tons general (through).  
"Shingu Maru" (1,666) Japanese, from Moji, Yamashita K.K.  
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	Arrivals	Departures	Port
British	3	3	26
Japanese	3	4	5
Norwegian	0	2	4
Chinese	3	1	16
Dutch	1	1	7
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	Ships	Tonnage
Great Britain	142	980,880
Germany	49	394,086
Italy	28	300,100
Japan	10	99,700
United States	4	63,000

One of the surprising features of this result, according to the Shipping Board's figures for 1927, based on ships built, building or contracted for, is that Great Britain is building no less than seven tankers for this country, while Germany has under construction one 14,000-ton tanker for the United States. Great Britain now is engaged in constructing 60 tankers, 56 freight steamers, and 26 passenger-freight combination boats.

To-day, Great Britain is building more than 25 times the tonnage and 35 times as many ships as the United States, yet there are shipping optimists in this country who will persist in predicting that very soon the Stars and Stripes again will sail the seven seas and dominate maritime trade as in the days of the old clippers. This, however, seems to be but a dream. In this country there are very few men truly inspired with the possibility of making America a great maritime power. Standing out prominently among them is the venerable Capt. Dollar, who, year in and year out, spreads the gospel of shipping needs, but it seems that interest cannot be awakened to an extent that will guarantee the United States ever reaching the position she should by right of her large population. She is neither building, nor is she ably profitably to run ships on the seas. Indeed, the real shipping men of this country can be counted on the fingers of one hand. These men, however, certainly are loyal to their country. They believe that, if the Government would give attention to the needs of the country, a mercantile marine could be built up in a very few years. They claim that the idea that American shipping concerns cannot run ships in competition with other countries, granted that the U. S. Government would subsidize the industry as is done in many other countries, is a myth. Even in the matter of

labour, they say that they have little to fear. Be this as it may, it is nonetheless a fact that shipbuilding in this country has waned to an extent that has brought about almost total disappearance, and also it is an indisputable fact that but a small proportion of the export cargo from this country finds its destination in American bottoms, being carried by ships of other flags.

**MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.**

The P. & O. s.s. "Macedonia," from Hong Kong, arrived in London on August 26 at 8 a.m.  
The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Russia" arrived at Nagasaki on August 28 at 2 p.m. left Nagasaki same day at 5 p.m., and is due at Kobe to-day at 2 p.m.  
The O.S.K. s.s. "Shunko Maru" will arrive here from Singapore to-day and sail for Japan ports to-morrow.  
The O.S.K. s.s. "Mexico Maru" is expected to arrive here from Japan ports to-day, and is due to sail to-morrow for East African ports via Singapore and Colombo.  
The E. A. s.s. "Tanda" left Moji for this port on August 26 and is due here to-morrow.  
The P. & O. s.s. "Khyber" left Singapore for this port on August 29 at 3 p.m. with the outward English Mails, and is due here on September 1 at about 5 p.m.  
The P. & O. s.s. "Nagapore" left Singapore for this port on Aug. 28 at 6 a.m. with the outward Home Mails, and is due here on September 1 at about 6 a.m.  
The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Asia" is due here at noon to-morrow, and will berth at Pier No. 5 Kowloon Wharf. She will sail for Manila on September 1 at 5 p.m.  
The Ben Line s.s. "Bengloe" from Middlesbrough, Antwerp, London, Straits and Philippines, is due to arrive here on September 2.  
The M.V. "Esquillo (D. & Co.)" from Brindisi, is expected in Hong Kong on September 15.  
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JAPAN PORTS  
SHUNKO MARU ..... Wednesday, 31st August.  
SUMATRA MARU ..... Thursday, 15th September.  
SEATTLE MARU ..... Saturday, 24th September.  
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TAKWA MARU ..... Wednesday, 31st August, Noon.  
KAJO MARU ..... Sunday, 4th September, 2 p.m.  
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TAKAO Via SWATOW & AMOY.  
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West River at Shihing	+41.0"	0"	+18.0"	rising
North River at Tsingyuen	+28.7"	0"	+8.8"	falling
North River at Samshui	+27.3"	0"	+12.7"	+13.0
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KIDDERPORE	5,334	15th Sept.	Straits, Colombo & Bombay
* DEVANHA	8,155	17th Sept.	Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Hull
KHYBER	9,114	1st Oct.	Straits, Colombo & Bombay
NYANZA	7,023	12th Oct.	Marseilles & London
MALWA	10,953	15th Oct.	Straits, Colombo & Bombay
KASHMIR	8,955	29th Oct.	Marseilles & London
MACEDONIA	11,120	12th Nov.	Marseilles & London
MONGOLIA	16,504	26th Nov.	Marseilles & London
MANTUA	10,949	10th Dec.	Marseilles & London
KASHGAR	9,005	24th Dec.	Marseilles & London
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TANDA	6,956	2nd Sept. 4 p.m.	Manila, Sandakan, Thursday Island, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, & Melbourne.
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KHYBER	9,114	2nd Sept. a.m.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
ST. ALBANS	4,500	6th Sept. 5 p.m.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama
TILAWA	10,000	6th Sept.	Amoy, Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka
MALWA	10,953	16th Sept.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
NYANZA	7,023	22nd Sept.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
KASHMIR	8,955	30th Sept.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
ARAFURA	6,000	4th Oct.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama
MACEDONIA	11,120	15th Oct.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
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Captain A. Dockwrey, of the "Leesang," is on reserve. Captain R. W. Bateman, of the "Kiangwo," has gone master, "Leesang." Captain J. H. Smith, of the "Changwo," has gone master, "Kiangwo." Mr. E. V. Bishop, chief officer, "Tungwo," has gone chief officer, "Tuckwo." Mr. N. Cook, chief officer, "Tuckwo," has gone chief officer, "Tungwo."

Mr. A. Buntain, chief engineer, "Fuhwo," has gone chief engineer, "Tungwo." Mr. A. Turnbull, chief engineer, "Tungwo," has gone chief engineer, "Fuhwo." Mr. L. Evans, chief officer, "Tienkwang," is on reserve. "Shipping and Engineering."

## PASSENGER LIST.

## ARRIVALS.

Passengers arrived by the a.s. "President McKinley" from Manila on August 29 were:—

Messrs. G. Assonmat, G. P. Bradford, J. M. Elizalde, J. M. Elizalde, A. S. Garcia, L. M. Heras, M. J. Heras, D. Haasama, L. R. Hildebrand, M. Lymberg, R. E. Blagumson, M. Romulder, R. Valiram, F. M. Yap, J. Anai, Mrs. G. Abogast, Mrs. D. Beck, Capt. M. Bloomquist, Messrs. G. Epple, C. W. Gordon, A. Lewis, B. Molschewitch, R. W. Shaw, B. V. Bush, Mrs. T. Kamemoto, Messrs. K. Kamemoto, C. F. Williams, Miss K. Davis, Mr. P. Naslin, and Miss M. Cunningham.

Passengers arrived from San Francisco and the north by the a.s. "President Garfield" this morning were:—

Major Balfour, Colonel B. Sergison-Brooke, Major E. P. Brown, Messrs. W. Kirby, S. P. O'Gowan, Mrs. G. N. Peterson, Mr. W. Hagen, Captain Smithman, Mr. A. F. Summerfield, Mrs. I. T. Morgan, Miss D. Putnam, Messrs. C. S. Murray, W. H. Young, Miss E. Derry, Mrs. D. Pace, Mr. and Mrs. F. Burgess, Lady D. Hay, Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Johnston, Mr. J. McD. Lang, Mrs. E. Martin, Mr. M. Metzger, Messrs. K. H. V. Weigand, M. Zulficar, R. Borcman, D. Walker, A. Wiser, P. Smart, Mrs. V. Rudd, Messrs. A. F. Dzhali, A. Newbury, and N. Gironio.

Passengers arrived at Hong Kong by the a.s. "President Jefferson" from San Francisco and Northern Ports on August 29 were:—

Messrs. M. J. Butler, A. Brostedt, S. Gattas, Miss M. C. Lohman, Messrs. T. K. Lien, P. C. Rawlin, Strand, Miss M. Simpson, Messrs. V. Wockl, H. Wockl, F. R. Ahlborn, Rev. F. C. Bellis, Ensign C. A. Burmister, Mrs. F. Colbath, Father J. Cordero, Miss D. W. Caffrey, Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Cleland, Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Davis, Master A. W. Davis, Miss B. Davis, Mr. P. Denroche, Mr. and Mrs. A. Elizalde, Master J. Elizalde, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Hill, Master R. S. Hill, Mrs. E. V. Jacobs, Miss M. J. Jacobs, Miss B. A. Lynch, Messrs. P. A. Allan, G. T. Miller, Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Merritt, Mrs. J. A. Mann, Mr. F. S. Morley, Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Peters, Dr. and Mrs. C. A. Phelan, Mr. L. Phelan, Miss L. E. Raymond, Miss L. M. Thomas, Mrs. H. Walker, and Mr. A. H. Wells.

## DEPARTURES.

Passengers departed by the A. M. L. Liner a.s. "President McKinley" from Hong Kong for San Francisco on August 29 were:—

Mrs. H. F. Danforth, Mrs. J. Prentiss, Mr. and Mrs. Kwan M. Jame, Miss K. Y. Heme, Messrs. I. C. Huntington, E. Weber, J. Soriano, Mrs. M. Sealeneff, Miss H. Encarnacio, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Kwok, Messrs. R. E. Francis, G. Lynott, W. H. Young, A. Ditta, E. Molschewitch, L. Junginger, H. Van Carven, Rev. J. H. Murray, Miss M. A. Calder, Mr. E. Price, Miss A. Price, Miss J. McDonald, Mr. F. W. France, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Sokall, Mr. P. Childs, Mr. and Mrs. W. Ashburnham, Mrs. I. F. Brown, Mrs. A. G. Tracey, Messrs. H. W. Oviatt, H. H. Maguire, Miss J. Wehen, Dr. J. C. McGowan, Messrs. G. D. Dinkel, A. Kofer, Mrs. G. Abogast, Mrs. D. Beck, Capt. and Mrs. G. F. Bloomquist, Miss M. Bloomquist, Messrs. G. Epple, C. W. Gordon, A. Lewis, R. W. Shaw, B. V. Bush, Mrs. T. Kamemoto, Messrs. K. Kamemoto, Mr. C. F. Williams, Miss K. Davis, Mr. P. Naslin, and Miss M. Cunningham.

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A Chinese mother is grief-stricken. Her child was strangled to death by kidnappers because the mother could not raise an additional \$5 to pay the kidnappers.

The mother is Mrs. Ho Wang-sze. The details of the sordid story of the taking of the life of a child of tender years was related in the Chinese press of Shanghai.

The mother was attending a funeral in Pootung, according to reports, and had taken her young son, three years of age. Child-like, the boy wandered a short distance away from his mother who missed him almost immediately. She began a frantic search in which she was aided by sympathetic bystanders and friends. No trace of the child was found. Hours passed and the mother was on the verge of prostration. By 10 o'clock on the following day the mother-love is the strongest of ties and for many hours the worried, tired woman searched through the streets and alleyways of Pootung.

Then came information from a Chinese named Kao Ta-pai. The latter said he knew where the child was being held. Investigations were conducted by the Peace Preservation Corps, composed of Pootung merchants and business men. The woman mother, however, had returned to her home in the meantime.

Shortly after her arrival there she was approached by several men who demanded money for the return of the child. They asked \$50 but finally said they would take \$20. The mother managed to raise \$15, which she took to the men. They were very angry and insisted that she obtain \$5 more.

A kindly neighbour eventually offered to lend her the required sum. She hurried back to the rendezvous of the kidnappers but they had gone. She spent the remainder of the night searching for them.

Early the next morning news of the missing boy reached the mother. Workmen going to their place of employment found the body of the boy lying face downwards near a small pond. He had been murdered by strangulation.

## JAPAN'S POLICY

INVITATION TO CHINESE TO CO-OPERATE.

The "N. C. Daily News" correspondent in Tokyo writes:—

The Premier, General Tanaka, has set in motion machinery designed to revise Japan's policy in Manchuria. The policies of Japan with regard to China in general in the past have been changed in accordance with the requirements of times and the trend of events, but so far as Manchuria is concerned, Japan's policy has been notably consistent. The revision of Japanese policy in Manchuria, which the soldier-premier of Japan proposes, is not really a change in the general policy established since the outbreak of the Russo-Japanese War. It rather aims to strengthen and strengthen further the special position Japan claims to have in Manchuria, which position she declares she rightly earned through the expenditure of blood and money on those battlefields two decades ago.

One of the Premier's main planks in his new Manchurian policy is that Manchuria should be regarded as distinct from China proper, so that China's civil disturbances may not flow beyond the Great Wall of Peking into a territory that has been thus far comparatively free from the internecine warfare which has thrown so large a part of China proper into turmoil and chaos.

During the recent Far Eastern Conference, held in Tokyo to discuss the Chinese situation and what attitude Japan should take vis-à-vis her big neighbour, special emphasis was laid on the vast economic potentialities of Manchuria. Several speakers, chiefly Japanese consuls and commercial attaches, visualised the commercial future of Manchuria as something magnificent. They dwelt at length on the agricultural wealth of that territory, on her wheat slowly taking the place of beans and how Manchuria seems destined to become the greatest wheat producer in the East. Emphasis also was laid on the gold fields in this Chinese province and on its immense lumber wealth.

The Far Eastern Conference were so impressed that the new policy of Japan in regard to Manchuria will, it has been virtually decided, be one where economic potentialities will be given prior consideration and peaceful penetration, with sufficient means whereby to prevent untoward disturbances, will form the guiding factors in the conduct of Japanese policy in Manchuria. The Premier also has promised to respect the principle of the open door and equal opportunity to all nationals in Manchuria and has clearly manifested the intention of his Government to drive any influence prejudicial to peace from this region. Further, he declared that, in so far as the Three Eastern Provinces are concerned, the Japanese Government will look upon Chang Tso-lin's régime as a legitimately functioning administration, and the Tokyo authorities always will be ready to extend assistance to the local authorities for the stabilisation of political unrest in Manchuria.

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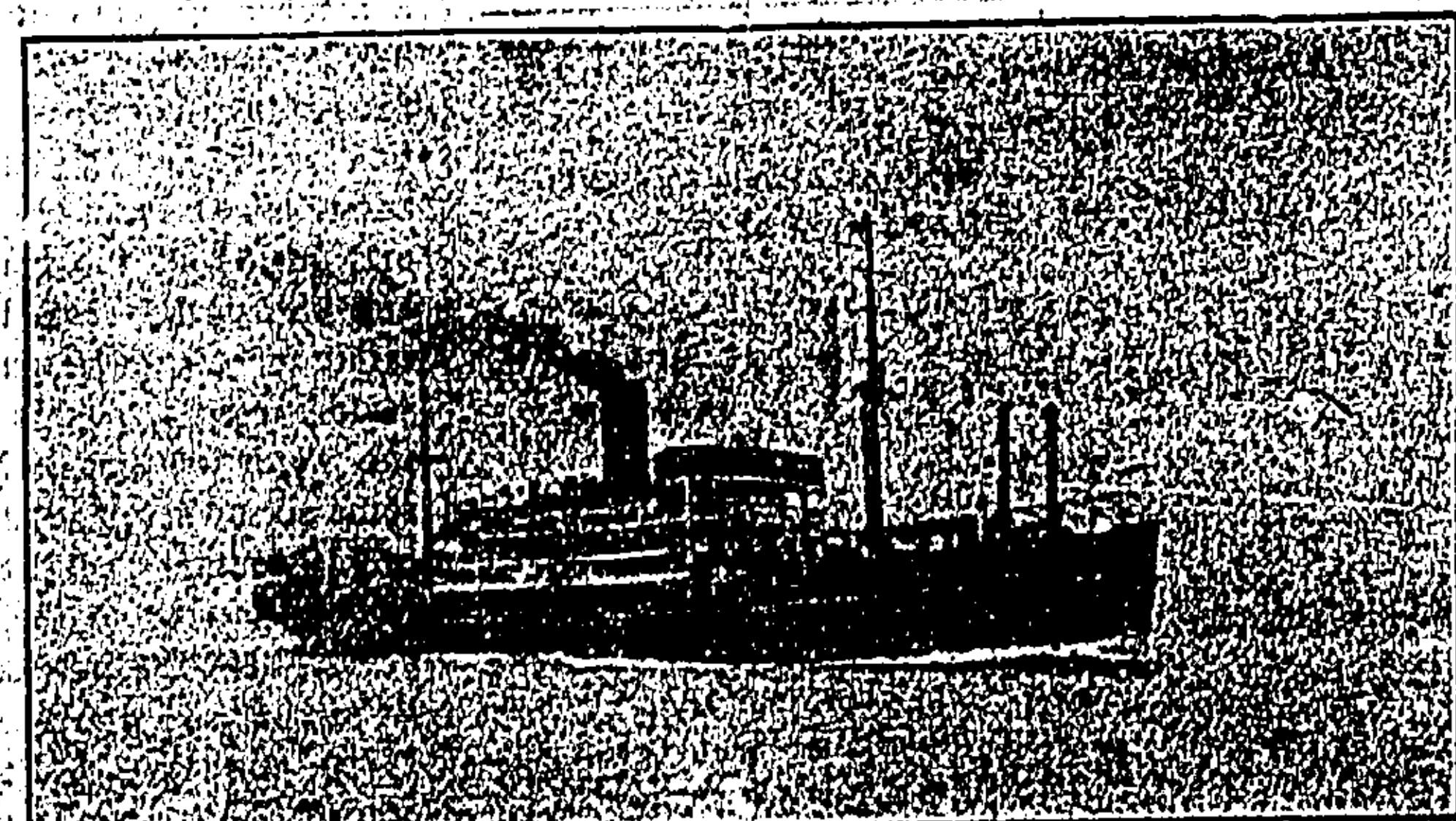


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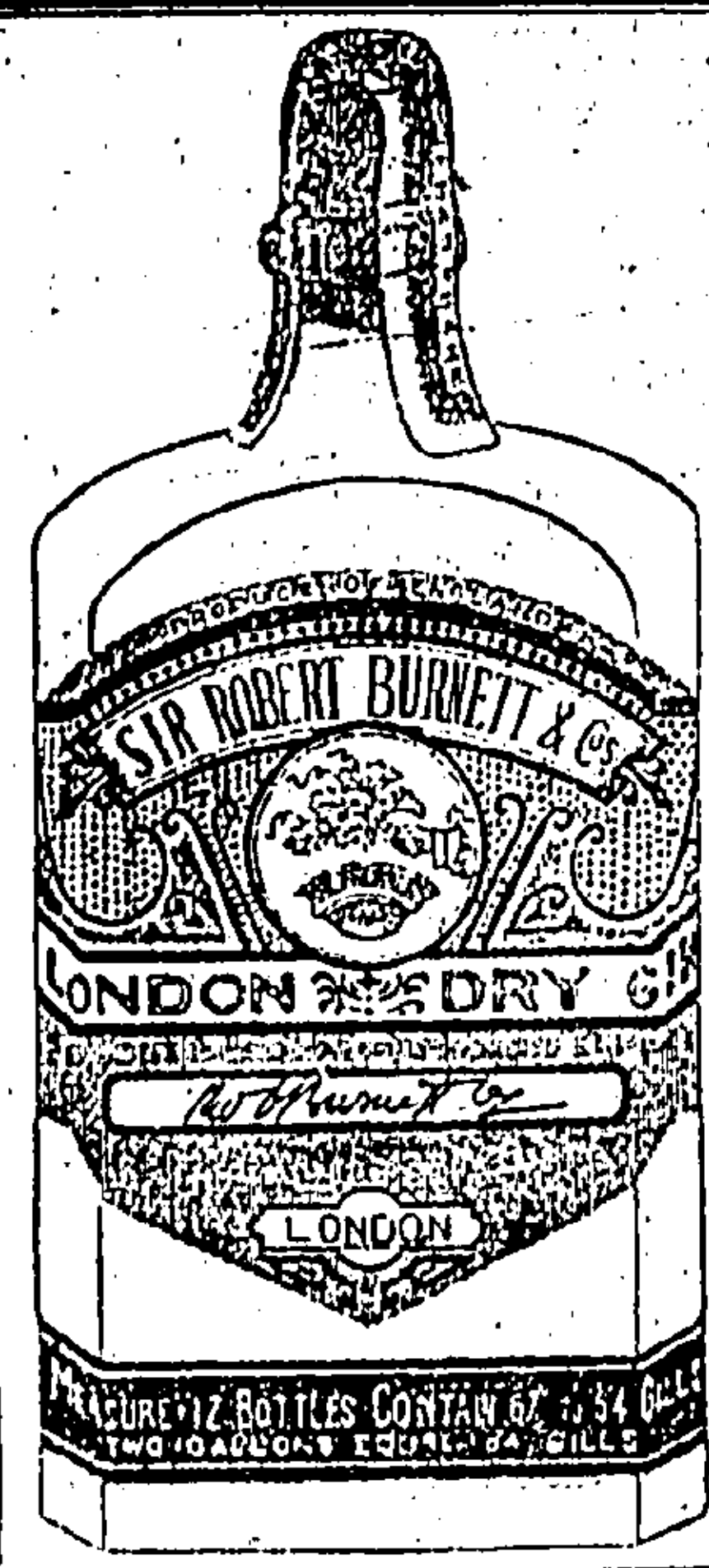
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### VISCOUNT CECIL.

The resignation of Viscount Cecil from the Cabinet will come as no surprise to those who have followed the political career of this son of the House of Salisbury. As far back as 1921 it was being said that Lord Robert (as he was then) had made it plain both by word and deed that he intended to take his own line on the great issues of the day without any regard to that taken by his party leaders. Although an able and much appreciated member of the Coalition Government, he was always a thorn in the side of the Cabinet, and it was not until the Conservatives again resumed power as a definite party after the Labour attempt at government that the political chiefs felt they had Lord Robert where they wanted him. Then it was they created him Viscount of Chelwood. For a number of years he has certainly been one of the most interesting figures in our political arena, and this interest has surely arisen from the character and quality of the man himself and also partly from the uncertainty of his development. We vividly recall, at this juncture, the words of Mr. J. L. Garvin some six or seven years ago. "If any counter-Coalition could achieve success in the next few years," said the publicist, "Lord Robert Cecil would be either Prime Minister or Foreign Secretary. There has been nothing quite comparable with this since Mr. Gladstone, at the age of fifty, finally joined the Liberals. Lord Robert has not hitherto been a Gladstone, but if he burns his boats he will be a new force. Is this the great step, we wonder

—the dramatic revolt which has so long been expected by many? According to the cables published to-day, Viscount Cecil has fallen out with his colleagues over the "broad policy" of the disarmament question, and from what he says in his letter to the Premier, when he suggests that no sacrifice of British principles might have been involved, it is gathered (though the noble Lord does not definitely say so) that he is of the opinion that Britain should have given way on certain points at Geneva. The present is not the time to enter into a discussion as to whether Viscount Cecil's or the British Government's views on the vexed subject of disarmament are the right ones, if, indeed, any set of views can be termed "right." What may be done to advantage is further to look into the character of the man who, after enjoying the full confidence of his Cabinet colleagues in regard to this matter, and carrying Britain's proposals to the preparatory session of the Geneva Conference, breaks away from the rest. One watches politicians for the most part in order to see what they will do, but with Viscount Cecil it is not what he does that compels attention but rather what he becomes; not his career so much as that development of his character which is mentioned above. The Cecils differ very considerably one from the other, but they are all acutely conscious of the Cecil tradition in politics. Personal ambition in the ordinary sense they have none. They are one of the survivors—few nowadays—of the tradition of aristocracy in English politics. Politics, indeed, are their marrow.

It would seem — we have only the cabled reports to guide us at present — that Viscount Cecil is now passing through a mental phase similar to the one experienced in early 1921, when he made his dramatic declaration of independence of the Coalition forces. He said, then, "I am still a Conservative, but I am an independent Conservative. I still believe in the great causes which I have always had at heart, and I am still ready to work with those, wherever they come from, who are prepared to support these causes." These very words, in effect, form the basis of his letter of resignation which now lies before the Premier. Mr. Baldwin's reply would seem to contain just a little iron. There is an element of peevishness in it, particularly when he retorts that Viscount Cecil "practically had his own way in regard to draft-

ing the instructions at the preliminary session of the Geneva confab. Then, too, there creeps into the tail of the Premier's letter a little of something resembling irritation — if nothing else — particularly where he refers to the admitted difficulties surrounding the question of disarmament which, however, constitute, in his opinion, no reason why the sponge should be thrown up. From the general tone of the reply, we think, it may be taken that Viscount Cecil's resignation has been definitely accepted. When, and in what political mantle, will he next appear on the horizon? For no-one will believe that, even at the age of 67, the most famous of the living Cecils will contemplate retirement.

### Postponed or Abandoned?

In its search for causes of the trade depression and possible measures to alleviate the position, the Trade Revival Committee of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce must be considerably heartened by the news from Canton that the luxury taxes will not come into force on September 1. There is little wonder that the merchants in Canton are feeling considerably relieved. A British wireless message from Shanghai confirms the Canton news, but states that the taxes have been postponed. Whether postponed or abandoned matters not at the moment. The merchants in territory over which the Nationalists hold sway have had a considerable amount of anxiety taken off their minds. Freed from harassing taxes previously in force and relieved of the dread of further exacting imposts, the trade barometer in Canton and elsewhere must already be more favourable than has been the case for many months. That being so, it must follow that a favourable effect will be shown in the trade between Canton and Hong Kong. This, again, should facilitate the solution, or partial solution, of the problems confronting the Trade Revival Committee here. The merchants in Canton will take fresh heart and be just as ready as ever before to engage in and expand export trade to their own benefit and to the benefit of importers in Hong Kong. A new situation, comparatively speaking, has been created by the decision to postpone or abandon the luxury taxes in Nationalist territory. Fresh confidence will be instilled into commerce, provided that no other exacting demands are made upon the trading community of Canton, and the benefits will be felt as much in Hong Kong as in Canton.

### MR. G. R. HAYWOOD.

#### LEGAL FRATERNITY'S LAST TRIBUTE.

#### YESTERDAY'S FUNERAL.

Attended by representatives of the legal fraternity of Hong Kong and other friends of the family, the funeral of Mr. G. R. Haywood took place at the Protestant Cemetery yesterday, the Rev. H. Copley Moyle officiating.

Those present included: the acting Chief Justice (Mr. Justice J. R. Wood), the acting Puisne Judge (Mr. P. Jackson), the Attorney-General (the Hon. Sir Joseph Kemp, C.B.E., K.C.), the acting Assistant Attorney-General (Mr. H. Somerset Fitzroy), the Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton, Messrs. W. A. Dowley, G. S. Archbutt, R. Baker, L. E. S. Hodge, C. G. Alabaster, K.C., Hin Shing-lo, F. H. Loseby, Leo d'Almada, E. Davidson, L. D. Strellett, J. A. Gordon Leach, H. L. Dennis, H. C. Macnamara, M. K. Lo, F. C. Nash, H. K. Woo, G. N. Tinson, J. M. Remedios, E. Agassiz, P. M. Hodgson, A. W. Graham-Brown, V. K. Wong, A. E. Wood, N. M. Bux, members of the office staff, and others.

Floral Tributes.  
Mother and Bobbie, His Loving Sisters, Winnie, Letty, Flossie Sison and Mrs. Rosser, Madame M. Flint, Miss K. Murphy, Mr. and Mrs. W. Schofield, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Hazeland, Mr. and Mrs. Hodge, Mr. and Mrs. Leo d'Almada, Mr. and Mrs. E. Agassiz, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Hind, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. O'Donoghue, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Remedios, Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Bander, Mr. and Mrs. W. Vinyard, Mr. and Mrs. Goddard, Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Dutton, Mr. and Mrs. T. O'Sullivan, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. C. Burnett, Mr. and Mrs. Alan Coppin and Miss Coppin, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Baker, Mr. and Mrs. Baker, Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Alabaster.  
The Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton, Dr. S. W. T'ao, Major C. Willson, Mr. J. Scott Harston, Messrs. A. E. Wood, R. E. Lindell, F. C. Jenkin, Eldon Potter, Hin Shing-lo, G. S. Archbutt, P. M. Hodgson, J. H. Ruttonjee, John H. Briston, A.

### CATHOLIC CLUB.

#### RE-OPENING CELEBRATED BY CONCERT.

#### SOME FIRST-CLASS TALENT.

The very successful entertainment presented by the Rev. Fr. Riganti in connection with the re-opening of St. Patrick's Catholic Club, Garden Road, last night, served at least one useful purpose—it brought home to us very vividly that there is in our midst some really first class talent: talent of a calibre which many might be inclined to doubt.

With Fr. Riganti in charge, we were assured of the very best as far as what, for want of a better term, is usually described as "good music," is concerned. But Fr. Riganti intermingled his more serious items with some humorous numbers which demonstrated very clearly by that the London syndicate halls are not the only rendezvous of Malcolm Scotts, Fred Emmeys, etc. From the moment that Mr. F. H. Hawkins admitted that it was "my face that caused the war, dear," he simply had the house at his mercy. Nor were Messrs. Porter, Hughes, Watts and Kingston on anything but the most agreeable of terms with their audience, the latter two artists presenting a screamingly funny sketch at the conclusion of the first half of the programme.

Rain Interference.  
Unfortunately a heavy downpour of rain rather interfered with Miss de Coudar's two songs, Puccini's "Aria di Manon" and Lanza's "Pallida Mimosa," the latter, however, gave the artist ample opportunity for displaying her really fine technique.

Mrs. Sanger, who, perhaps, has seldom sung better in public here, scored a great personal triumph with Kahn's beautiful "Ave Maria" and Wetherley's "Daddy Boy." Mention must be made of Mr. John Braga's violin obligato which did much to enhance the very pleasing effect of Mrs. Sanger's numbers.

Mr. Braga, who, as anything, on the shy side, shows much promise, and we hope to hear more of this young artist in the future.

With Fr. Riganti at the piano, we had a trio of whom the most critical of critics could find little fault. Messrs. E. G. and G. d'Aquino were in good form, the latter receiving prolonged applause for his interpretation of two Neapolitan songs by an unnamed composer. Mr. Wilmott gave a spirited rendering of the "Cornish Floral Dance," but rather distracted our attention by appearing in fancy dress with a tendency to "act the part."

Fr. Riganti and Professor Guadagni gave two excellent duets at the piano, Bellini's "Il Pirata" being particularly well rendered. The accompaniments were in the capable hands of Fr. Riganti and Mr. R. H. Ayleen.

One came away with a thoroughly satisfied feeling—a jolly good show.—H.

### POLICE RESERVE.

The following orders have been issued by The Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, Captain Superintendent of Police.

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The following Police Reservists have been passed out as efficient in Part 1 of Training Course:—

Chinese Company.—Cr. Sergt. R5 Wong Shu-pun, Constables R10 Edward Way, R12 Diam S. K. Chan, R43 Tso Chi-on.

Indian Company.—R202 M. Abdullah, R203 Abdul Aziz, R204 Abdul Karim, R211 Awtar Singh, R213 Bhagat Singh, R215 Fazal Mohamad, R218 Ghulam Mohamad, R220 H. N. Mehal, R231 W. M. Mehal, R240 Sohan Singh, R242 Taj Mohamad Khan.

Training School.  
The advanced members of both Chinese and Indian Companies will attend at the Police Training School, Bonham Road, at 5.30 p.m. sharp on Thursday, September 1 and Tuesday, September 6 for instruction in Police duties and regulations by Inspector H. J. Paterson. Every member attending will bring his instruction book with him.

Parades.  
All recruits will parade in Mufti at the Central Police Station for Squad Drill and Rifle Exercises under Sergt. R. J. Hunt at 5.30 p.m. sharp as follows:—

Chinese Company on Thursday, September 1 and Tuesday, September 6.

Indian Company on Friday, September 2 and Monday, September 5.

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Hong Kong, August 30, 1927.

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### P'RAPS—P'RAPSNOT!

It's quite shocking to learn how easy it is to be electrocuted.

Customer: "The horn on this car is broken."

Salesman: "No, it isn't; it's just indifferent."

"What do you mean?"

"Why, it just doesn't give a hoot!"

Judge: "Your offence is aggravated by the fact that you took the stolen money from a locked drawer, which you forced open." Accused: "I couldn't get at it otherwise, your honour."

First Charlady: "You don't 'alf look 'ot, you don't."

Second Charlady: "'Oo do?"

First Charlady: "You don't."

"Listen to that clock striking—

one, two, three, four."

"That's funny; our clock at

home strikes one, one, one, one."

Here's a tale of true democracy. Little Annie Laurie Mackenzie is crying in the streets of a slum district in Edinburgh, when a gentleman comes up and pats her head asking, "What's the matter, little one?" The matter is that her teddie bear has been taken from her by a playmate. The gentleman intervenes and has the treasure restored. The little girl brushes away her tears. The gentleman is King George.

"Since I retired," complained the old bachelor, "I've been at a loose end. I've so much leisure I don't know what to do with it."

"Why not marry in haste?"

On the first Sunday the visiting minister (acting as locum for a month) asked the verger for a glass of water to be put in the pulpit. After the service he remarked jokingly: "It might have been gin and water for all the congregation knew, Thomas!"

The next Sunday the parson was astounded to find that his glass did contain spirits. Then his eyes fell on a slip of paper placed underneath the glass with the words: "I took the hint, sir."

The thrifty man entered the outfitter's.

"How much are these collars?"

he asked.

"Two for half a crown," replied the assistant.

"How much will one cost?"

"Eightpence," said the assistant.

"Then I'll take the other one," was the response.

Boss (to clerk whom he had sent out to collect money): "Well, what did Slowmaws say?"

Clerk: "He said he'd break every bone in my body and throw me out of the window if I showed my face there again, sir."

Boss: "Indeed! Did he! Go back at once and tell him that he's mistaken if he thinks violence will frighten me."

Two men were playing a round of golf, when one of them pulled his drive into the rough and lost his ball. He and his opponent started a diligent search for it, surveyed placidly by an elderly lady of benign appearance, who was enjoying a picnic lunch in the midst of the heather. Forlornly they thrashed the thick scrub for over an hour without success, and finally decided to give it up. Then the old lady smiled at them sweetly, and asked: "Would it be quite fair if I told you where it is?"

Tommy: "Dad, are all sailors little men?"

"Why, what makes you think that?"

"Because I once read of a sailor who slept in his watch."

A young husband came home one evening to find his wife sewing some dainty little clothes.

"My darling," he said, "why did you not tell me your secret?"

"Don't be so silly," she replied.

"This is a new dinner gown."

One boy asked another how he could teach a girl to swim.

"Oh," said the boy, "you goes up to her gentle-lie, takes her hand gentle, leads her gentle down to the water, puts yer arm gentle round her waist."

"Oh, garrn!" interrupted the boy. "What's the matter? She's my sister."

"Yer sister! Oh, above her in!"



## CHINA NEWS.

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Against The Government.  
Shanghai, Aug. 23.

At 6.55 p.m. yesterday, 1,200 male and female workers of the No. 5 East Mill, N.W.K. cotton mill, ceased work abruptly, and left the mill premises.

A pamphlet of an extremely anti-Chiang Kai-shek and Nationalist (Nanking) Government nature was obtained by the police, and the strike is apparently a protest against the Government now in power in Shanghai.

## Pro-Communist Handbills.

Shanghai, Aug. 23.

A Chinese named Koo Lih-sung, who is an employee of the Shanghai Tramway Company, was arrested by the Municipal police on Yangtzepoo Road at 4.40 p.m. yesterday for being in possession of four pro-communist handbills.

He was, subsequently, released as there was no evidence to prove distribution. This handbill urges the workers to support only the revolutionary committee, headed by the wife of Dr. Sun Yat-sen, and the Shanghai General Labour Union, which, as it is stated, are the only organs in China looking after the workers' welfare. It severely condemns the Nanking and Wuhan Government as traitors; who should be completely done away with. It advocates that a great demonstration will be carried out in three days for the purpose of effecting the revival of the Shanghai General Labour Union, and the abolition of the Unification Committee of the Labour Unions.

## Administration of Shanghai.

Shanghai, Aug. 23.

At the 102nd Central Political Conference, the following measures were decided upon in regard to the administration of Shanghai, writes the "Shunpao":—

1.—That a military officer, to be known as the Defence Commissioner of Shanghai, be appointed to take charge of all troops in Shanghai.

2.—That the political department of the revolutionary army of the eastern route be abolished and that officers of the political department of the various armies carry out activities in their respective armies, and should in no way interfere with the Municipal administration of Shanghai.

3.—That the central political department be not vested with authority to detail officers to be stationed in Shanghai to give orders.

4.—That the admiralty office and its political department deal only with affairs concerning the navy in Shanghai.

5.—That no commander of the martial law force be appointed in Shanghai, and that the commissioner for the defence of Shanghai function as commander of the martial law forces.

6.—That the so-called righteous and courageous corps and the rank of garrison commissioner be abolished.

7.—That the special administration bureau be transferred to Nanking.

8.—That hereafter only the defence commissioner and the police department be authorised to carry out arrests.

9.—That all policemen be armed in order to enable them to render efficient service.

## Poles For Posters.

Shanghai, Aug. 23.

Five Chinese were arrested on Yangtzepoo Road at 1 a.m. today for passing handwritten posters on electric poles. They were brought before the Provisional Court this morning, and remanded.

The following are the translations of the posters:—

1.—Down with Wang Ching-wei and Feng Yu-hsiang, who pretend to be revolutionists!

2.—Seize the Huchow Guild!

3.—Let us start the third demonstration with violence!

4.—Whoever goes contrary to Dr. Sun Yat-sen's principles and policy is a reactionary!

5.—Down with the militarists!

6.—Oppose the taxes, which tend to oppress the proletariat!

7.—Let us recapture Kwangtung!

8.—Start the united revolutionary front!

9.—Support the Shanghai General Labour Union!

10.—Long live the souls of the martyrs!

11.—Execute all reactionaries!

12.—Kill all labour traitors, running dogs, and "supervisors"!

13.—Long live the Shanghai General Labour Union!

14.—Let the Government of Shanghai be administered by the people!

15.—Oppress the Fengtien and Shanxi armies!

16.—Prevent the rebel, Chiang Kai-shek, from resuming his activities!

17.—Long live the Shanghai General Labour Union!

18.—Down with the Unification Committee of the Shanghai Labour Union!

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## SILVER MINE HELD.

"RED" MEXICANS TAKE POSSESSION.

## NO SABOTAGE REPORTED.

Mexico City, Yesterday.

More reassuring developments regarding the Amparo mines are contained in telegrams from Guadalajara. There has been no sabotage or violence and the pumps are still working. Parleys are taking place between the officials and labourers and an official inquiry will be held.—Reuter's American Service.

## A message from Washington

dated August 27 stated that besieged in the quarters of the Amparo Company's silver mines at Etzatlán 40 miles from Guadalajara, Mexico, 11 British and 18 American employees are apparently virtual prisoners of the so-called "Red" Syndicate, which induced the workmen to seize the mine as a protest against the Sacco and Vanzetti executions.

The mines are reported to be much damaged through the stoppage of work and are in danger of being flooded.

The Mexican military authorities claim that they have the situation in hand, but full details are unavailable.

## HOME RAIL DISASTER

INQUIRY INTO CRASH BEING HELD.

London, Yesterday.

Evidence at the Sevenoaks disaster inquiry disclosed that a pair of wheels of the engine left the metals 500 yards before the crash. The injured driver testified that the engine was one of the new River type which had a tendency to roll when travelling over 50 miles per hour.—Reuter.

Messages from London dated August 24 stated:

It is reported that 10 persons were killed and 20 injured in the derailment of a Southern Railway train from London to Deal near Sevenoaks.

The engine and all except three carriages turned turtle. The rails were torn up and twisted. A pullman coach swung round right across the track and was completely smashed. Eleven were killed and 50 injured.

## Gruesome Scenes.

A passenger aboard the train said that the first intimation of anything wrong was a sudden rocking while the train was travelling at a high speed, and a sudden grinding and tearing noise as though the train had jumped the metals. The train wobbled and then there was a terrific and deafening crash. All were thrown from their seats. There followed the piercing shrieks of frightened women and children. Several doctors who were aboard rendered first aid and nurses, ambulances and police seemed to spring from nowhere. Saws, hammers and crowbars were used to extricate the victims. A young woman's legs had to be amputated before she could be extricated. Another was so mutilated that pieces of the body were picked up and placed in a sack.

## EXPRESS MISHAP.

TWO OF THE CREW LOSE LIVES.

Pittsburg, Yesterday.

Passengers on the famous Broadway Limited express from Chicago to New York had a thrilling escape 12 miles west of Altoona, the foremost of the two engines drawing the express being derailed. It plunged 200 feet over the embankment. The second engine hung on the edge. No passengers were injured but two engineers were killed and two injured.—Reuter's American Service.

of the Unification Committee of the Shanghai Labour Union!

13.—Arrest the running dogs, Yang Hu and Chen Chuen.

14.—Exterminate all remnants of rebel, Chiang!

15.—Reinstate all unemployed workers to their former positions!

16.—Prevent the rebel, Chiang Kai-shek, from resuming his activities!

17.—Long live the Shanghai General Labour Union!

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## CHAIWAN MURDER.

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The Magistrate inquired what was the depth of the drop, and Counsel replied that it was between six and seven feet.

Answering another question, Mr. Whyte-Smith said that it was a trained nullah with a big cavity. Walter, he said, was pushed into the bushy part of the nullah.

## Put up a Fight.

Although he could not see clearly what was going on on the bridge, he nevertheless could see enough to know that the smaller man was attacking Mrs. Mackay. He even saw this man striking her but whether he did this with a weapon or not Walter was unable to say. After pushing Walter down, the taller man went over to the other side of the bridge to assist the smaller man.

Mrs. Mackay undoubtedly put up a fight against her assailant, and in self-defence she struck at him with her umbrella. When Walter eventually scrambled back to the road, he saw the two men escaping with Mrs. Mackay's handbag in the direction of the motor road. Thirty yards from the bridge was a bend on the road, and Walter saw the men disappear round it. Mrs. Mackay was then in the act of getting up from the left of the bridge. There was no doubt that she was wounded, and was holding the lower part of her abdomen, where Walter saw marks of blood. Together they started to walk down the path.

By the Magistrate: Mrs. Mackay told Walter that she had been stabbed and robbed of her money.

Mr. Whyte-Smith said he did not mention this because he was doubtful if it was admissible as evidence.

Mr. Lindsell said that although he knew that it would be thrown out at the Sessions, he always liked to take down statements made by the deceased in such cases.

## Fell Down Twice.

Proceeding, Mr. Whyte-Smith said that after walking about 30 yards Mrs. Mackay fell down but got up again with the help of Walter, and they carried on. A little further on she fell a second time but again got up. They had walked about 100 yards together, before Mrs. Mackay gave up and told Walter to go for assistance. Before he departed, she handed her gold wrist watch to him. She was evidently afraid that she would lose it.

Being a stranger to Hong Kong, Walter did not know that he was very near to the Shaukiwan Police Station and went all the way to Tai-koo. Mrs. Mackay was left propped up against a rock. When assistance eventually came she was already dead. She had two wounds on the left breast and one in the abdomen.

Dr. Cannon who held the post mortem would say that the stabs on the left breast were both stopped by ribs, and that the wound in the abdomen was the fatal one.

## Bank Notes Found.

The police, said Mr. Whyte-Smith, immediately took up the investigation of the murder, and a large party made a search of all the country around that same night.

In a path leading off the motor road some 600 yards of the junction of Chaiwan Road and the Stanley-Shaukiwan motor road, a path which was very little used except by one who was very well acquainted not only with Shaukiwan but with Shaukiwan East as well, a Chinese detective named Chung Hai found at 2 a.m., on Sunday, August 7, two rolls of bank notes. These were lying on the ground half way down the path. One roll contained \$15 in \$5 notes, and the other \$30 in \$10 notes. He also found a single \$1 note making \$46 altogether. On some of these notes were blood stains.

On the previous day, said Mr. Whyte-Smith, Mrs. Mackay had received payment of \$36.80 in \$10, \$5 and \$1 notes, while the same day Mr. Mackay had given her \$250 house money in \$100, \$10 and \$5 notes. He (counsel) mentioned this fact to show that the deceased lady probably had with her at the time of the attack notes of the denomination of those picked up by the Chinese detective. Before going to Chaiwan, Mrs. Mackay was seen taking some notes out of her drawer, but how much it was no one knew. After the murder, only \$50 was found in the drawer.

## Blood Stained Coupon.

About 20 yards further down this coolie track, the same detective, a little later found a 5-cent credit coupon of the Wing On Company, of the kind issued by the Company during big sales to customers for every \$1 worth of goods purchased. On this particular credit note were blood stains. These spots had been cut out by Dr. Minnet who would say that these bore traces of

human blood. It could be proved, Counsel said, on August 5 or 6, and it could also be proved that on August 5 Mrs. Mackay had bought goods at Wing On's to the value of \$1.30, so that she would have been given a 5-cent credit note. A representative of the Company would say that Mrs. Mackay was in the store on the date mentioned. He did not know her by name, but he was able to identify her from a photograph.

Continuing, Mr. Whyte-Smith said that some 15 yards further down the path, Inspector Lane found in the grass one half of a \$1 banknote, to which great importance was attached by the prosecution in view of subsequent discoveries. It will be proved by a representative of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank that this note was a forgery, and Dr. Minnet will say that there were blood stains on it.

## A Forged Note.

After inspecting the note, the Magistrate remarked that it appeared to have been cut and not torn.

Mr. Whyte-Smith agreed.

Continuing, Counsel said that it would be proved that Mrs. Mackay had been given two such forged notes by a friend in payment for some music sheets which she had bought. This was done as a joke, and Mrs. Mackay was immediately afterwards told about it. She appeared to have taken a fancy to the notes and asked to be allowed to keep them, and she was permitted to do so.

Later she was seen by a witness to be cutting the notes in two with a pair of scissors, presumably to prevent her from using them.

## Men Traced.

Walter, Mr. Whyte-Smith said, could not identify either of the men, but he was able to give information as to their clothing and height which would correspond with particulars about the two prisoners.

The taller man who had pushed Walter into the nullah, the prosecution say, would be the first accused, while second accused was the smaller man who had attacked Mrs. Mackay.

From information received the police traced two likely men living in the vicinity of Shaukiwan or Shaukiwan East, who were well acquainted with the districts. Their search led them to a house in Kam Wah Street at the foot of the coolie track.

Referring to the plan of the district, the Magistrate said that the path after taking a sharp bend went almost straight down to Shaukiwan Road.

Mr. Whyte-Smith explained that Kam Wah Street was a side street and it sort of faces one as he gets to the foot of the path. This place was little used, and evidence would be given that it was lonely between the hours of 8 and 10 o'clock. The police went there at 7 p.m., on August 7 and arrested the two accused in house No. 7, ground floor. Both accused had blood stains on their clothing. Each had three single dollars and 5 10-cent pieces in his possession. In addition, second accused had a 20-cent piece and two copper cents. He mentioned the fact that the men had almost an equal amount of money because the prosecution contend that this went to show that there had been a partial division of the booty on the coolie track where they must have been surprised or were scared by Walter running down to the motor road. The money which was picked up must have either been dropped by the men or thrown away by them in their haste to get away.

It could be proved by the prosecution that at 9 p.m., on the night of August 6 the men were in a houseboat in Shaukiwan harbour, but they were not there at 7 p.m., at the time of the attack. When arrested in Kam Wah Street, the men were playing tian-kau.

One of the 10-cent pieces found on the second accused was blood stained. On first accused, most important of all, was found the complementary half of the \$1 note picked up by Inspector Lane. This also had blood marks.

## Cut on Hand.

Second accused (the smaller man) had a curious cut on the side of his right hand. This might have caused some of the blood stains, but the position of the cut was very significant. It was just such a wound which one would expect to be made on the hand of a man stabbing with a small knife of the kind used by fishermen. When the knife struck a rib the hand would slip on to the blade and be cut in the fashion second accused's hand was cut.

Mr. Whyte-Smith reminded the Court that the taller man was the one who had pushed Walter and apparently he did not have a knife. Presumably the shorter man did strike Mrs. Mackay with a weapon, and that weapon must have been a short one.

Mr. Lindsell enquired what time the attack took place. They left Chaiwan at 7.15, as it was getting dark, and the attack must have

occurred about 7.30 or 7.45. While it would then not be totally dark, it would be too dark for Walter to see the features of the men.

Handbag Found.

Mr. Whyte-Smith said that there was no need for him to say more except that the two accused were seen by witnesses always together for the last two months.

By the Magistrate: Mrs. Mackay's handbag was subsequently found. It was picked up on the road at the place where she first fell, some 80 yards from the place where she was attacked. In the handbag were both halves of the other forged \$1 note which she had cut.

The Crown's case, Counsel concluded, was that after passing Mrs. Mackay and Walter, the two men determined to rob them and went back to carry out that determination, and during the attack one of them murdered Mrs. Mackay. The motive of the attack was robbery.

Magistrate: The common purpose of them murdered her, therefore the other is equally guilty. Is that your contention?

Mr. Whyte-Smith: Yes, your Worship.

The case continued during the afternoon.

## PRESS MATTERS.

CONFERENCE AT GENEVA CONCLUDES.

Geneva, Yesterday.

The Press Conference has concluded and passed a resolution requesting the League of Nations to make urgent representations to the various governments for the purpose of establishing a rule that the measure of expulsion or withdrawal of a permit to stay in a country should not be taken against a journalist without the opinion of a committee of journalists.

They also passed a resolution unanimously in favour of the abolition of censorship in peace time and recommending that all official news should be issued without preference to all newspapers and agencies together with transmission facilities.

The conference adopted a resolution submitted by the representative of the Japanese "Rengo" agency suggesting the calling of periodical conferences with a view of examining the extent to which the resolutions and recommendations of the present Conference had been acted upon by the different Governments.—Reuter.

## CINEMA NOTES.

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World and Star.

Both the World and the Star are showing outdoor picture in the new programmes which begin to-day. The picture at the World is "Bustin' Through" in which Jack Hoxie plays a cowboy role with customary dash, and the picture at the Star is "The Chechachos," the story of a great gold rush which has the distinction of being the only movie play made entirely in Alaska. Both pictures are very exciting.

## APOLOGY.

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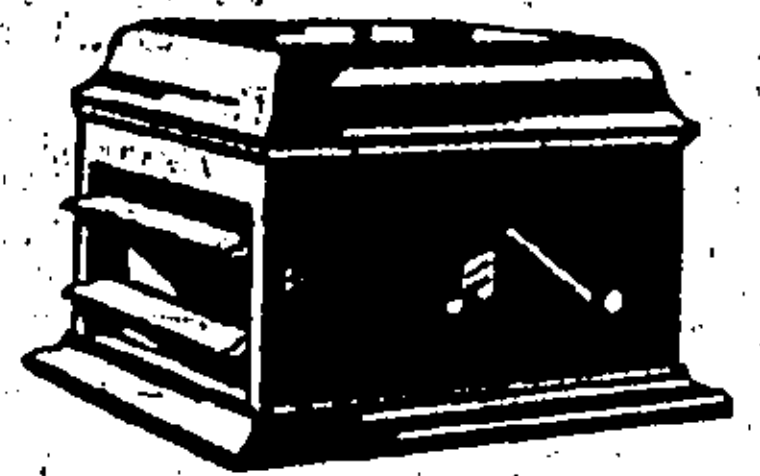
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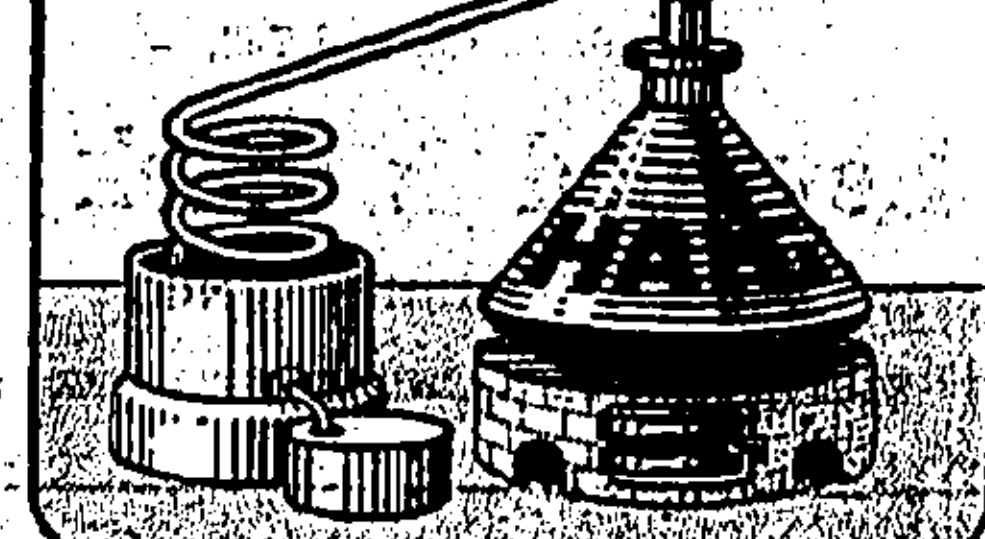
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## LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS.

Amsterdam diamond merchants have agreed to close down. The crisis is due to the rejection of the Precious Stones Bill by the South African Senate making transactions practically impossible.

A citizens' committee in San Francisco is considering the extension to Australia of the proposed San Francisco-Honolulu flight, for which a purse of \$10,000 is being raised. Half the purse has already been subscribed.

A social gathering will be held in St. John's Cathedral Hall, on Sunday next, September 4, after Evensong (6 p.m.). A cordial welcome will be extended to all Service men and others. There will be music and light refreshments.

In the provisional programme of events in connection with St. Peter's Young Men's Club, it is noted that the first debate of the season will probably be held on Monday, September 26 at 8.30 p.m. when the subject in view is "That money is essential to happiness."

The Amateur Golf Championship of China will be held this year in Shanghai on Saturday and Sunday, October 8 and 9. Entries must reach the secretary of the Shanghai Golf Club not later than noon on October 1, accompanied by an entrance fee of \$5. Entries can be cancelled up to noon on September 26, and entrance fees will be refunded, but after that date no entrance fee will be refunded. The conditions will be 72 holes, medal.

Sotheby's recently had a two days' sale of an extensive collection of Chinese, Tibetan, and Indian works of art, the property of Mrs. E. A. Duigenan. The more important lots included a pair of Chinese polychrome vases, the sides divided into three compartments filled with flowers, etc., 22½ in. high; 15½ (Hankcock); and an eight-fold screen, each fold with three panels of black lacquer inset with pietra dura, 1506-1521, 3½ ft. high, 14½ ft. wide—£102 (Campbell).

A picnic for the blind is being organised by St. Peter's Young Men's Club. At a joint meeting of the representatives of the Club and the St. Peter's Ladies' Guild, it was decided to provide a picnic by motor car for the inmates of the Blind Home at Kowloon. Several gentlemen, led by the Patron of the Club, Dr. R. H. Kotewall, and Mr. Ho Kwong, have placed their cars at the disposal of the Committee. The Secretaries are soliciting the loan of a few more cars and chauffeurs. The picnic will be held on Saturday, September 30, 1927, starting from the Star Ferry Wharf, at 2.30 p.m.

The sum of \$532.55 has been received from the Moslem Debating Association Muar, as a donation to the Malayan Flood Relief Fund.

Yun Tz-hung, a National army officer, who is alleged to have received a bribe of \$18,000 in connection with his official duties, was executed near the Shanghai South Station, says the Chinese press, an order to this effect having been received from Gen. Chiang Kai-shek.

Arrested in Nathan Road, Kowloon, on Sunday, a Chinese woman was yesterday charged before Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court with the unlawful possession of 20 taels of prepared non-Government opium which was found tied round her waist. She was fined \$2,400 or, in default, eight months' jail.

The Chinese General Chamber of Commerce has been notified by the Szequi-Centennial Exposition, held in Philadelphia last year, that most of the Chinese exhibitors were awarded certificates and medals of honour, and that these are being forwarded to the Chamber for distribution.

Revenue Officers searched an unlicensed sampan in Yau-mat Bay and seized 70 jars of dutiable Chinese wine. Yesterday the master of the sampan was charged before Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court with unlawful possession of the liquor, and was fined \$300. Both the wine and the sampan were ordered to be confiscated.

A Chinese was yesterday fined \$3 by Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court for gambling on the pavement in Wuhu Street, Kowloon. When searched at the Police Station, the accused had nine 10-cent pieces concealed in his mouth. This money and 25 cents which was picked from the ground, were ordered to be confiscated.

From the following programme arranged by the Y.M.C.A. special committee for the entertainment of the Services, it will be seen that there is to be another big concert at the City Hall on Saturday, organised by Mrs. Younghusband. The programme is as follows: To-day: At the "Cheer O": Concert, 7.30 p.m.; at the "Better Ole": Whist drive, 7 p.m.; To-morrow: At the "Cheer O": Whist drive, 7.15 p.m.; at the "Better Ole": Sing song, 7 p.m.; Thursday: At the "Cheer O": Informal dance, 7 p.m.; Friday: At the "Cheer O": Concert, 7 p.m.; at the "Better Ole": Variety concert, arranged by Entertainment Committee, 7 p.m.; Saturday: At the City Hall: Grand concert at 6.30 p.m. Admission: 10 cents; including refreshments.

About 2,000 employees, led by a band and amidst the explosion of fire-crackers, are reported to have resumed employment at the B. A. T. Pootung factory. Others are expected to return.

The Shanghai Chinese papers say that the military accompanied tax collectors on Sunday, when the latter began the special levy of two months' rent on householders in Chinese territory. It is stated that as much as \$5,000 was collected.

When Wong Sih-ze was brought up in the Provisional Court, Insp. Clissold said that a 16-year old girl had been mortgaged by her mother to the accused for four years at the annual fee of \$65. Accused was remanded on bail of \$1,000 and the girl was sent to the Door of Hope.

A concert party from H.M.S. "Despatch" (appropriately named the "Indespatchables") gave an excellent concert at the Canton Theatre, Praya East, last night when, despite the inclement weather, there was a fair attendance. Given better weather, the enterprise and prowess of this happy band of entertainers should result in larger numbers attending at the repeat performance to-night.

The Norddeutscher Lloyd's organising the financing of trans-Atlantic flight with Junkers planes is interpreted as an indication of the German shipping companies' readiness to use planes in view of a regular passenger and mail air service from Germany to North and South America as soon as practicable. Optimistic experts believe that 1929 will see the realisation of these plans.

The Water Police have received a report that a junk was pirated off Kauchau on August 25. According to the master of the junk (No. 1732) she was returning to Shaikwan, when off Kauchau she was approached by a sampan containing seven Hoklo pirates. As soon as she came within range, the stranger opened fire on the junk with rifles. As the junk was unarmed, she was compelled to stop. Four of the pirates armed with revolvers and daggers boarded the junk, and after herding all the crew in the aft ransacked the vessel, and made a haul of a large quantity of salt fish, fruits, \$215 in Hong Kong money, \$952 in Kwangtung silver coins, an iron anchor and a quantity of clothing valued together at \$2,135. The junk was sailed to Nam-O where the pirates took the loot ashore in their sampan, and the junk was released to return to Shaikwan.

## SOCIAL AND PERSONAL NEWS.

Their Highnesses the Sultan and Sultana of Trengganu arrived from Batavia after a short holiday in Java.

Mr. Justice McCabe Reay returned from Malacca and will be in Johore Bahru until September 24, when the Muar and Batu Pahat Assizes commence.

A Beethoven monument was unveiled at Vincennes Park, Berlin, on July 25, by the Minister for Instruction, M. Herriot. The German Charge d'Affaires attended the ceremony.

H.E. the Governor, Sir Hugh Clifford, states that he hopes to visit British North Borneo early next year when the new yacht which is being built for him will be available.

Mr. P. P. J. Wodehouse, C.I.E., and Mrs. Wodehouse are proceeding to Singapore per P. & O. s.s. "Morea" on the 3rd instant. They are returning to Hong Kong per P. & O. s.s. "Nyazpa," which is due here about 21st instant.

About \$30,000 has been left to her companion, Elizabeth "Auld Craig," by Mrs. Anne Martha Mills Boyce, of 16, Balize-crescent, Hampstead, N.W., who died last March, leaving \$45,025, with net personality \$44,754. She made bequests to relatives and others—including \$200 to the Hampstead General Hospital—totaling about \$11,000, and the residue goes, as already stated, to her companion.

Captain and Mrs. Kenneth G. Castleman arrived in Shanghai on the steamer "President Garfield" from New York and will officiate as Chief of Staff of the American Asiatic Fleet, under Admiral Bristol, who is expected to arrive shortly. The new Chief of Staff is widely known in American Naval circles and is a veteran of the Great War. He has an enviable record as a Naval Officer. Other American Naval officers arriving on the "President Garfield" included Commander Frank H. Lash and family, Commander Penn L. Carroll and family from San Francisco, Lieut. Commander C. J. Wheeler, and Lieut. Commander A. H. Addams also from San Francisco. Commander Lash will join Admiral Bristol's staff and the others will be attached to the U.S.S. Pittsburgh.

Mr. Johan Poulsen, supervisor of the Great Northern Telegraph Co., has returned to Shanghai.

Mr. D. A. Gee, of Batu Gajah, who is now on leave in Cornwall, is to be married on September 20.

The engagement is announced between Mr. K. N. Black, of Mansfield and Co., Singapore, and Joan, elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. Morgenstern of Shanghai.

Arriving at Hong Kong on the "President Garfield" yesterday were Colonel B. Sergison-Brooke, Major Balfour, Major E. Percival Brown, Capt. Smitherman, Mr. William Kirby, Mr. A. F. Summerfield, Mr. C. S. Murray and Mr. W. H. Young.

Amongst those arriving by the s.s. "President McKinley" from Manila was M. Moiseiwitsch, the world-famous pianist. He gave four very successful recitals there. He is on his way to Peking where he will give two concerts, after which he will proceed back to the United States.

The American Consulate General in Shanghai is interested in securing information as to the whereabouts of Mr. Frank Winters, who left San Francisco, California, in April, 1925, and is reported to be in Shanghai connected with some garage. Information to this regard will be appreciated.

Prominent passengers on the s.s. "President McKinley" from Manila included. Mr. G. P. Bradford, with Struthers & Barry Shipping Co. on business trip to Hong Kong; Mr. Joaquin M. Elizalde and Mr. Juan Miguel Elizalde, prominent sugar planters of Manila on trip to Hong Kong; Mr. L. R. Ildefonso, with American Express at Hong Kong; Mr. Miguel Romualdez, Mayor of Manila, on business trip to Hong Kong; Mrs. Dorothy Beck, wife of Major Beck, U.S. Army, at Shanghai; Capt. Geo. F. Bloomquist, on way to Shanghai; Mrs. Grace Argogast, wife of sales manager of Richmond Leaf Tobacco Co. of Richmond, Va., on way to Shanghai; Mr. George Epple, going to Chelso to join U.S.S. "Pecos"; Mr. C. W. Gordon, with Canadian American Shipping Co. at Vancouver, B.C., disembarking at Shanghai; Mr. B. Moiseiwitsch, prominent musician returning from concert tour of the Philippines; Mr. Benjamin V. Bush, with Eastman Kodak Co. on way to Kobe; Miss Mary Cunningham, tourist, returning to her home in Los Angeles.

Mr. R. S. Burnard of the British Legation, will be leaving Peking shortly to take up similar duties at the Embassy in Tokyo.

Mr. W. F. Arndt, recently transferred from Shanghai to Canton as agent of the Dollar Steamship Lines, was a passenger on the "President McKinley" as far as Hong Kong.

The promotion of Lieut. Colonel George Carpenter, O.B.E., D.S.C., in command of the Royal Marine battalion on special service in China, to the rank of Colonel Second Commandant is the result of the vacancy caused by the promotion of Colonel Second Commandant Charles L. Mayhew, of the Chatham Division.

The death is announced of Countess Marguerite Cunliffe-Owen, widow of Lord Frederick Cunliffe-Owen, ex-diplomat. The Countess, on her deathbed, disclosed that she was the author of the "Martyrdom of an Empress," the biography of the Empress Elizabeth of Austria, which was published anonymously.

There was a company of about 60 present at the Penang Town Club on the occasion of a farewell dinner to Captain I. R. Lovell, who, after serving as adjutant to the Penang and Province Wellesley Volunteers for the past three years, is leaving the Settlement to rejoin his regiment. Major G. A. Potts presided and he was supported by H.E. Major-General C. C. Van Straubenzee, C.B., C.M.G., (G.O.C. Malaya.)

News has been received in the Colony of the death of Mr. T. W. Hill, director of Messrs. Bradley and Company, and formerly, resident in Hong Kong for several years. Mr. Hill left Hong Kong for health reasons in 1925. He died at Arosa, Switzerland, last Saturday. While in Hong Kong, Mr. Hill took considerable interest in the activities of the Scottish community and was for a time Secretary of St. Andrew's Society. He was a keen and accomplished golfer and played in a number of interport matches. Mr. Hill, who was a son of Mr. Robert Hill, a governing director of Messrs. Bradley and Co., and a grandson of Mr. T. W. Richardson, the founder, came to Hong Kong first in 1913 after service in Shanghai. He returned to the Colony after the War in which he won the Military Cross.

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## SPORTS

## HOME SOCCER.

## Results Of Monday's Matches.

## SOME BIG MARGINS.

Londoners Beat New Torquay Club Nine To One.

A fair number of league matches were played on Monday afternoon and some unusual results were returned. Birmingham gained a substantial victory over the Lord Huddersfield team by five goals to one, and Manchester City beat Swansea by seven to four. The greatest margin was shown in the Third Division game between Millwall and Torquay, who only gained admission at the beginning of this season. The Londoners won by nine goals to one. Scores are as follow:—

## First Division.

Birmingham 3, Huddersfield 1.  
Leicester 3, Sheffield United 1.  
Wednesday 0, Manchester United 2.

## Second Division.

Blackpool 1, Oldham 2.  
Clapton 2, Southampton 0.  
Leeds 2, Barnsley 2.  
Manchester City 7, Swansea 4.  
Notts Forest 7, Fulham 0.  
Preston 4, Hull 2.

## Division III (S).

Brentford 3, Northampton 0.  
Palace 2, Exeter 0.  
Luton 1, Norwich 3.  
Merthyr 0, Charlton 0.  
Millwall 9, Torquay 1.  
Swindon 6, Coventry 0.  
Walsall 2, Watford 0.

## Division III (N).

Ashington 0, Crewe 2.  
Chesterfield 4, Durham 2.  
Halifax 5, Barrow 2.  
Lincoln 4, Wigan 1.  
Rotherham 2, Tranmere 1.—  
Reuter.

## FORWARD PROBLEM.

## CLUBS SEEKING FIRST CLASS ATTACKERS.

## DEFENCE COMES SECOND.

The Association football season is drawing near apace, for August is approaching, and the players will be called "home" for training and practice, wrote "Titrus" in an article dated London, July 25. What are we going to see during the season of 1927-28?

Some clubs were very pleased with themselves during last winter, and rightly so, but let us hope that the great examples shown in the last campaign will bear fruit in the days to come.

Sometimes it has happened that there has been diversity of opinion about the champions. There has been a feeling that the club won the premiership of the First Division, was not quite the best all-round football team, and that there were others as capable but not so fortunate. Not a single voice was raised to criticise Newcastle United as unworthy of the high honour which went to them.

Pasibly there was even more lavish praise for Middlesbrough, who ran away with the promotion race for their section.

One characteristic these great clubs had in common. The forwards were great goal-getters. Possibly there was even more goals than any team has ever done in any competition under the auspices of the League, and Newcastle never had such a scoring. The hundredth goal was denied them, but they were nearer to that ambition than they have ever been.

They each had a first-class centre-forward in Gallacher and Cammell, and they each had splendid wing pairs.

Their attack was their defence—and that is the point which all team-builders should digest. Surely the moral is that there is nothing in "Soccer to compare with attack."

Critic are fond of talking about a well-balanced team—a very great point to get the most reliable defence that is possible, it seems to me that the first duty of every manager is to obtain scoring forwards—wing men who do not delay their centres, and who deliver oblique centres on the run for which men of the

## BETTY IN FINAL.

## U.S. WOMEN'S TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIP.

Forest Hill, Yesterday. Miss Nuthall entered the final by defeating Mrs. Chapin 6-1, 4-6, 6-3.

Betty received an ovation for her control of the match throughout except for a monetary lapse (four double faults) in the second set. Deadly placing and exhilarating and very effective smashing rounded off her victory. Mrs. Chapin, who is very experienced, won as many points from Betty's lapses as from her own efforts.

Miss Wills beat Miss Jacobs 6-0, 6-2.—Reuter's American Service.

In the doubles, Miss Betty Nuthall and Miss Joan Fry beat Mrs. Sterry and Miss Hill 6-3, 6-3.

Mrs. Chapin and Miss Eleanor Goss entered the semi-finals by beating Miss Eileen Bennett and Mrs. Helen Jacobs 6-4, 6-0.—Reuter's American Service.

In the semi-finals Mrs. Godfree and Miss Harvey beat Miss Eleanor Goss and Miss Chapin 6-4, 7-5.—Reuter.

## FAR EAST GAMES.

## FURTHER RESULTS FROM SHANGHAI.

Shanghai, Yesterday. In Baseball China beat the Philippines 4-3. In volleyball China beat the Philippines 21-12 and 21-19. In football Japan beat the Philippines 2-1.

The track and field events were concluded to-day with more records smashed. Japan gained 106½ points, the Philippines 58½ and China 0.

Hiberto Japan has won in baseball and field and track and China in volleyball.

In basketball the Philippines beat China 42-24.—Reuter.

## SHANGHAI F. A.

## ADMITTED TO HOME ASSOCIATION.

London, Yesterday. The Shanghai Football Association has been admitted to membership of the Football Association.—Reuter.

Cammell and Gallacher stamp are always on the look-out.

Middlesbrough, more than any side I saw last season, got on with the business of leading and then made the game relatively easy for the men who could finish their raids. The day for taking the ball right up to the corner flag before making the centre has gone for ever. That was made plain by Pease.

The old formation cannot be improved upon. Nothing new can beat the Middlesbrough style, and we shall all be eager to see how First Division clubs will meet the kind of attack that the Tees-siders can deliver—full of design, craft, speed, and all the rest of it, but also full of calculation in delivering the centres at the right moment—quite early and to the right place, meaning the spot where the defence can be taken at the greatest disadvantage.

Middlesbrough have surely convinced all the world that under the relaxed off-side law goals can be piled on.

Forwards First. Sustained attack is the best defence. In my opinion no defender can keep a first-class forward line at bay under the existing rules. The moral of last season—everywhere and with every club—is that the more the forwards are together the more the goals.

The more goals the more victories. The more goals the stronger the defence. If you think that over you are bound to agree with the conclusion.

Of course, good half-backs, fast and sure backs and goalkeepers with a hundred eyes and a hundred hands are needed; can't do without 'em. But wing forwards who will centre early and obliquely, and will themselves close in on goal, are the men that team-managers must look for.

The wing forwards who are played out are those who dance about and dribble with the ball, who want to beat an opponent every time and who persist in a right-angle, or less. Such fellows are no good now. They fritter away time and chances. They help the other side.

Let the wing forwards take Pease as a model. Let the inside players and centres take Cammell, Gallacher and Birrell as their models. Then no others need apply.

## LOCAL GOLF.

## CHAMPIONSHIPS AT HAPPY VALLEY.

## MEDAL AND BOGEY.

There were twenty-three competitors in the championship of the Valley, which was won by R. M. Smith with a score of 162.

There were thirteen entries for the Medal Round, which was won by S. T. Butler with a score of 87-13-74. Other scores were: D. G. Bruce, 87-9-78; F. E. Booker, 95-10-85.

For the bogey competition, there were 31 entries, and the best cards were returned by R. M. Smith (4), 2 up; K. S. Robertson (9), 1 up; A. E. Lissaman (10), all square; R. K. Valentine (8), all square; J. S. MacLaren (11), 1 down.

## U. S. A. AND GOLF.

## ASTONISHING FIGURES FOR PAST SEVEN YEARS.

## BRAID'S FINE PERFORMANCE

The Americans are setting a tremendous pace in golf, and I think the general impression is that it is harder than ever to win a championship, writes Fred Robson. But the men whom we are now pleased to reckon veterans were responsible for some wonderful scores. Indeed, it is doubtful whether the feat of James Braid in securing the title at Prestwick in 1908 with a total of 291 has ever been surpassed. Bobbie Jones equalled it at St. Annes last year, but there is a very real difference between the two performances because Braid's was accomplished with a floating ball, a ball which gave twenty yards less per shot than the one at present in use.

It is good to recall this magnificent record by Braid, because it helps to adjust values and brings one back to a proper perspective of the game. After all, the player of to-day is not the formidable fellow I fear he believes himself to be. It is often said that in the old days the greatest asset was steadiness, that the player to win a championship had only to steer clear of foolish mistakes. I do not know how this impression was created, but it is entirely wrong. The scores themselves in the old time events prove conclusively that one had to go for the shot-saving strokes with just as much courage and resource as during the present era. There was no more chance for the pawkly golfer then, than now.

Cause of American Low Scores. I have been looking at the scores in the British and American championships during the past seven years, and the difference is amazing. In the aggregate the American title has been won by as many as thirty-five strokes! That is to say, if the British total for each were three hundred, the American total was 295.

One of two deductions is possible from this record. Either the standard of play in America is a great deal higher than in this country, or that it is very much easier to score there. I think the latter is the correct one, for in six out of the seven years, the British prize has been captured by an American representative and only once, namely last summer by Bobbie Jones, was the customary American rate of scoring maintained.

But we did not find the conditions easy at Oakmont. Indeed, most of us came to the conclusion that the system of bunkering, especially in the neighbourhood of the greens, was even more severe than in England. But without offering any excuse for our most disappointing display it should be taken into account that the whole conditions were strange and in some respects disconcerting so far as the majority of us were concerned.

Playing to a Schedule. It would be a great help if one knew before a championship started what score for the four rounds would suffice to win. The question is always debated, and I think most men begin with the idea of playing to a schedule. But I am afraid they do not keep it very long. The game has a nasty trick of turning against you, and throwing all one's calculations wrong.

But though it is easy to become despondent and quit, as the Americans in their expressive way say, every lesson of a championship teaches one to stick it to the bitter end, because there is always a possibility of the game just as suddenly turning in your favour. Look at the experience of George Duncan at Deal in 1920 when he started with two eights and followed with 71 and 72. Again, it is almost too much to expect to play four rounds without having one poor one.

The Weaker. Well, the championship is at St. Andrews. What score will be

## SUCCESS IN GAMES.

## DO CHAMPIONS MAKE THEMSELVES?

## POINTS TO CONSIDER.

Courage, energy, and persistence are the three greatest elements for success in team and individual games. Team spirit is necessary in every walk of life, but it is sometimes necessary for a man to fight alone for a cause, and therefore an individual game, such as singles play in lawn tennis and squash racquets, is excellent training for anyone whose sphere of activities requires judgment, quickness, and decisive action.

In war or peace the man who succeeds is the one who can, when necessary, think and act almost simultaneously. Imagine a fighting air pilot, travelling anything from 100 to 200 m.p.h., who, when engaging an enemy machine, must make instantaneous decisions under great mental stress.

By Individual Effort. He must decide quickly whether to attack or to make a feinting move in order to get the better position; and, behind all his movements, the successful ace must have the fighting spirit developed to the highest degree.

My object at the moment in mentioning this point is to show that, before England can regain the men's singles championship, our young internationalists must, by their own efforts, develop the characteristics which make individual champions at any game.

Our position as a nation in the tennis world to-day is No. 4 (this applies to men only; our women players rank No. 2); but the margin of difference is only three-sixths between our best players and the leading players of France, who rank at the present time as the leading nation of the world.

Volumes have been written on lawn tennis by champions, and others, describing the methods one must adopt in order to become a champion, but, strange to relate, the best singles players in the world since the days of Joshua Pim have derived little benefit from books on the game, and have had to rely almost entirely on their own ability and character.

I do not mean to say that all books written by champions, ex-champions or other intelligent writers are not interesting to read, and occasionally useful to beginners; but after playing against, and with, practically every leading player of both sexes in the world during the past 20 years, and after consideration of the fact that no two players are alike in stroke production and footwork, I am forced to the conclusion that champions are made only by their own personal endeavours.

What of Next Year? Now we come to the real object of this article. Can our young internationalists improve their game sufficiently between now and next June to give them an equal chance with any other competitor for the singles championship? Personally, I believe they can, provided they make up their minds to develop by consistent practice the weak points in their armour.

I refer particularly to:—  
J. C. Gregory. N. Sharpe.  
E. Higgins. G. R. O. Crole-Rees.  
C. H. Kingsley. The brothers Collins.  
H. K. Lester. N. H. Latchford.  
"Bunny" Austin. E. R. Avery.  
D. M. Greig.

Occasional coaching from leading professionals is useful for first-class players, only if the weak points are concentrated on, and these the player himself must indicate to the

good enough to win? A great deal will, of course, depend on the weather, but the lowest score done there in the major event of the season is 296 by Jack Hutchinson and Mr. Wethered the last time it was competed for on the old course. Playing with a floating ball in 1910 James Braid took only three strokes more. In these circumstances I think we shall have to strive to maintain an average of seventy-four, though to do so will represent a superb feat.

Every golfer likes to play at St. Andrews, but, at the same time, he may roundly condemn the links for its hidden bunkers and declare that you can pull the ball round your neck without getting into trouble. One might criticise it from several other points of view, but it stands apart from every other course, and it never loses its fascination.

We used to believe, or say, that it would not suit the Americans, that they could not play the run up stroke and that the man who did not command this at St. Andrews was lost. It was significant, however, that both Jack Hutchinson and Mr. Wethered hit most of their approaches into the air in 1921. We imagined, too, that the smooth, close shaven greens which in summer are usually so fiery and fast would put them off their putting.

But it is time all these kinds of ideas were swept away and the American was accepted as a very sound all-round golfer. Make no mistake about it, he will be just as formidable at St. Andrews as anywhere else and that the championship will be in as great a danger of being lost as ever.

coach. For intensive match practice, our young internationalists must arrange to play each other and endeavour by mutual goodwill to strengthen each other's stroke production and tactics.

The Lawn Tennis Association is fully alive to the necessity of providing our internationalists with facilities for practice and international play, but no association or individual can do much good unless the men themselves are keen.

Energy and persistence are necessary to equip a physique with fighting power, alert co-ordination, and courage of the kind which will enable them to throw off fatigue during the critical stages of a gruelling five-set match.

Why Tilden Lost. No better example of this could be made than the match between Tilden and Cochet at Wimbledon. Tilden, by almost superhuman tennis, won the first two sets and led 5-1 in the third set—in fact, up to this stage, Cochet was made to look like a second-class player. Then suddenly Tilden lost control of his ground strokes, and, to everybody's amazement, lost sixteen points in succession and the set at 7-5. He then went on to lose the fourth and fifth sets without regaining control.

In my opinion, his defeat was entirely due to the fact that he had practically exhausted his nerve control and physical energy by going all out at high pressure to win in straight sets with strokes that required the utmost effort of which he was capable.

His opponent, on the other hand, was aced or beaten outright so frequently that his physical energy remained unimpaired.

The most astounding thing about the match was that Tilden appeared to have lost not only his physical control but also his mental vision, for he went on attempting to make the same type of strokes and service, which demanded his full strength, instead of slowing down his game for the purposes of physical and mental recuperation.

This demonstrates the fact that first-class lawn tennis demands a vigorous, fit body, nerve control, stamina, and a very alert brain. To obtain these, a study of the following points can be recommended.

1. Every day should begin with a few exercises to stretch and supple the muscles, and lung power should be increased by breathing exercises.
2. Study your diet. Meals should be well selected and not hurried.
3. A strenuous match should not be begun until at least an hour and a half after a heavy meal.
4. Avoid colds and rheumatism by changing wet clothes immediately after playing.
5. Do nothing that will cause deterioration of health and condition.
6. Regular sleep and regular habits.
7. Think and play on aggressive lines.
8. Play with a spirit of loyalty to the team.
9. Play to the score.
10. Control your feelings at all times.
11. Study your opponent's methods and endeavour to outwit him.

And, finally, practise against a wall for twenty minutes at least twice a week and concentrate on correcting faults in stroke production.—Col. H. G. Mayes in "Evening News."

## SACCO AFTERMATH.

## MYSTERIOUS FIRES IN BOSTON.

Boston, Yesterday. One hundred thousand persons witnessed a silent procession of thousands of workers to the crematorium where the bodies of Sacco and Vanzetti were cremated.

Two engine houses of the local Fire Brigade in the west-end of Boston caught alight yesterday night while the firemen were away extinguishing a serious blaze at a railway freight yard on the other side of the city.

The circumstances in both outbreaks exactly resembled two engine-house fires earlier in the evening at Cambridge, where the firemen were also away, called to extinguish fires at an old barn and a valuable chemical factory.

The police attribute all the fires to sympathisers of Sacco and Vanzetti.—Reuter's American Service.

## ARGENTINIAN LOAN.

## AMERICANS FLOAT BIG RAIL ISSUE.

New York, Yesterday. The Chase Securities Corporation and the Blair Company are offering on August 30, a \$40,000,000 Argentine 6 per cent. loan at 99½, the proceeds to be applied to refunding the debt on the Argentine State Railways.—Reuter's American Service.

## BARRACKS COLLAPSE.

## ITALIAN TROOPS KILLED AND WOUNDED.

Leghorn, Yesterday. In the middle of the night the roof of the local barracks collapsed entombing 70 infantrymen, of whom three were killed and 24 injured. Other soldiers and firemen dashed to the rescue but there are still 15 buried.—Reuter.

The death toll in the barracks collapse was 18.—Reuter.

## TRIUMPH FOR FENG?

## PEKING'S VIEW OF RECENT DEVELOPMENTS.

## DANGER TO THE NATIONALISTS.

Peking, Aug. 18. Chinese opinion in Peking describes the retirement of General Chiang Kai-shek as a triumph for Feng Yu-shiang. For a long time Nanking has been divided into two military factions—the Canton faction which favoured union with Wu-han and the Chekiang faction, under Chiang Kai-shek which opposed the union. Feng Yu-shiang played upon this division very cleverly. Realising the delicate state of relations, he suggested a representative party conference which he hoped would bring about a rupture and eventually force the retirement of Chiang Kai-shek, his rival.

This is what has happened, due in Peking's opinion to the astute intriguing of Feng.

Peking contemplates a temporary fusion of the various factions of the Kuomintang under Feng Yu-shiang but thinks that this will not last long enough to have any vital effect influence upon the moulding of events.

"The Kuomintang has been completely tuchinized," said a Chinese observer to me to-day. "Every brigadier in the South thinks himself a potential Kuomintang tuchun." Jealousies will ripen into quarrels and quarrels into splits until the present Kuomintang movement will lose all likeness to the ideals which set it into motion.

This is the expressed conviction of officialdom in Peking although the first thoughts are to whether Chiang's retirement will be considered promising enough to warrant an overt move against the north by Feng Yu-shiang.

The Legations Relieved. The Legation Quarter is feeling definite relief. "No more bother about surtaxes—at least for the time being," said one diplomat.

The dissolving views of the Chinese political scene make it unwise to attach too much importance to any plan that is due to materialise more than a month after it is projected. Programmes mean little these days of flux. But this makes it all the more desirable to nail treaty rights firmly to the foreign masthead, whether those rights be regarded merely as a modus vivendi or the foundation of relations.—"N. C. Daily News."

## MURDER ECHO.

## COOLIE SENT TO PRISON FOR FOUR YEARS.

The mill murders of last spring had an echo in the Provisional Court, Shanghai, when a coolie named Tseu Pah-sing, 17, was charged before Judge Li and Deputy Meinhardt with being accessory to the murder of a mill foreman and a woman pedestrian on March 11.

Det. Sgt. Telfer conducted the case for the police and stated that he had brought a prisoner from the jail who was doing a life sentence for committing the murder. This man was called and said that he was given a pistol by a man named Sung, whom he met at the labour union. He was told to follow a certain man who would point out the foreman whom he was to shoot. Witness fired three shots which killed the foreman and a woman pedestrian. He said that he was forced to shoot the man or he himself would have been shot. Witnesses denied knowing the accused.

Accused was then called and said that the statement which he had made to the detectives, in which he had admitted complicity in the plot, was made under false pretences on the part of the police.

He knew nothing about the murder. He had not said in his statement that he was standing by watching when the shots were fired. His story was disbelieved and he was sentenced to four years' imprisonment for being an accessory in the murder of the foreman, but the charges of being an accessory in the murder of the woman were dismissed.

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## IMPERSONATION?

## CHARGE AGAINST BRITON IN SHANGHAI.

In H. M. Police Court, Shanghai, last Monday, before the Magistrate, Mr. T. Morris, L. E. Summer 26, of no fixed abode, was charged as follows:—"For that he on the 7th day of August, 1927, in the consular district of Shanghai did falsely and deceitfully personate an officer of the Shanghai Municipal Police with intent to fraudulently obtain property contrary to Section 1 of the False Impersonation Act 1874."

"Further that he did on the 7th day of August, 1927, unlawfully at Shanghai obtain credit by fraud to the extent of \$14.50 from one C. Stewart by signing a chit in a false name contrary to the Debtors Act 1869."

Detective Sub. Insp. C. B. Henry outlined the case for the police and said that the defendant was arrested last Saturday. Complaints had been made to the police to the effect the defendant had obtained credit in canteens representing himself to be a detective and signing false names. The police asked for a remand as they desired to make further inquiries.

Mr. A. M. Preston appeared for the defence and asked that a small bail be fixed. The Magistrate remanded the case for one week and ordered the defendant to procure two sureties of \$150 each.

## MONEY &amp; SHARES.

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## RADIO TOPICS

## A SUPER-HORN.

SOUND CARRIED GREAT DISTANCE.

Motorists along an open road near Pittsburgh, Pa., U.S.A., recently were amazed by the thunderous music of a brass band playing a march, although an empty hillside lay between them and the nearest building, three-quarters of a mile away. Despite the absence of any visible source of music, they subsequently heard, sweeping forth with full volume and clarity the swelling chords of the pipe organ, the crashing crescendos of a great male chorus, piping piccolos, booming bass drums, and velvety-voiced violas.

The occasion was a public demonstration of the latest form of loud-speaking device for which a patent has just been granted to Clinton R. Hanna and Dr. Joseph Slepian, the inventors, both members of the Westinghouse Electric Company's research staff. This development, which establishes another milestone in the progress of acoustic science, is built fundamentally around a type of reproducing and radiating device called the "exponential" horn.

The underlying principle of the new process is proper coupling between the diaphragm and the surrounding atmosphere, which is the essential feature of improved mechanical phonographs and horn-type reproducers. The new arrangement has gone a step further than any preceding development in making possible the reproduction, at full volume, of the deep bass of the organ and drum. The reproducing element is of radically new type, especially adapted for this horn.

It was explained by the inventors that, although it is relatively easy to perfect a reproducer capable of covering the full range of pitches at small intensities, it is, however, a much more difficult problem to provide load capacity adequate for the assurance of full volume at all pitches. And it is significant that the lower pitches, which constitute the backbone of many musical compositions, are the most difficult to reproduce at great intensities.

One of the records used to test the loud-speaker was "The Lost Chord," as sung in the Sesqui-centennial auditorium by 2,500 voices, comprising the Associated Glee Clubs of America. The bass of this gigantic chorus stood out with impressive intensity. Nor were shades of pitch or nuance of voice absent in the chords that swept across hill and dale adjacent to the pike. The fact that the low-frequency notes were not obtained at the sacrifice of the high-frequency notes was obvious in the closing strains of "The Lost Chord." The embellishments which this chorus arrangement gives to the first tenors were heard with utmost clarity riding serenely on substantial undercurrents of first and second bass and second tenor. The ensemble of pipe organ and voices in the Oakley Portugal arrangement of "Adeste Fideles," by the same chorus, was another number that adequately tested the reproducing capacity of the new loud-speaker. A conversation addressed to the auditors was clearly understood, even at the great distance intervening, this being a most difficult test surmounted by the device, which produces the sound effect of a horn 14ft. long, but actually is only 48in. in each dimension. Its name, the exponential horn, is based on the mathematical formulae used in calculating its peculiar internal curves. It is due to this that sound of all pitches, low as well as high, receive accurate rendition and correct volume.

Although the apparatus used in this demonstration radiates from 10 to 20 times more volume than the ordinary loud-speaker

there is no distortion in the reproduced sound; this feature being one of outstanding importance to acoustic engineers. It is curious to note that, despite the tremendous volume of sound, which can be sent rolling among the hills a mile away, the amount of electrical energy represented by all this sound is only about 2½ watts, or less than that of a flashlight lamp. The apparatus was not especially designed for lightness, yet there is no part of it which cannot be carried by hand, with the exception of the great wooden horn, and even that can be replaced by a lighter one at some sacrifice of volume in the lower pitches.

It was explained by the inventors that it is relatively easy to perfect a reproducer capable of covering the full range of pitches at small intensities. However, far more difficult is the problem of providing load capacity adequate for the assurance of full volume at all pitches. Namby-pamby bass, the sort often reproduced, that conveys the sound of a feverish moan, was conspicuous by its absence at the demonstration.

The adaptability of a loud-speaker of this type to various community enterprises of music or entertainment may readily be understood. As applied to an open-air concert the horn would eliminate any necessity for crowding, or feverish jockeying for positions near the stand. The auditor nearly a mile away would enjoy the concert as well as those near the stand. Other major applications of the device will be in large auditoriums and in connection with talking movies.

## WIRELESS NOTES.

The Radio Research report on the eclipse proves that during periods of darkness reception is better than in sunlight. But this was known long ago, and there seems no doubt about it.

It is only the waste of energy in some aeriads and sets that could give rise to any dissatisfied voice. There may appear little difference to some, since in daylight the loss of electrons in poorly insulated aeriads and sets is not so great as in the night time, and so things are equalised apparently. It is just like a leaky tap that leaks less when the pressure is least, and so on.

The potentiometer for crystal sets is coming to the fore again. But it must be repeated that the connections must be correct to get any good result. N.B., the battery connections must be reversed if the reception is not satisfactory. A 4½ dry cell is necessary, and each pole joined up to the two sides of the potentiometer. Its slider should be connected to one side of the crystal. Next, one end of the potentiometer with the battery across should be connected to the other wire that goes to aerial coil or phones. The slider must be very sharply set and the battery connections made through a switch to be broken when not in use and loss avoided.

The Thermopile, promised long since, has not yet been put upon the market, though further praises of its advantage in taking the place of two volt batteries is to be found in the wireless papers. It is, after all, a question of expense versus convenience, for it takes 5ft. of gas per hour to run it, and the relative cost can easily be calculated, roughly, say, 6d. a week at four hours a day.

The advantage of the crystal over valves is so great, both in respect to economy and clearness of reception, that every attempt to improve its power for good reception should be encouraged. One of the latest (revived) experiments is with a four point crystal and double aerial. It is reported a success, but time will prove.

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## RADIO CONGRESS.

AUSTRALIAN REPRESENTATIVE APPOINTED.

Sydney, July 21.

The Director of Postal Services (Mr. H. P. Brown) has been appointed to represent the Commonwealth Government at the International Radio Congress to be held at Washington in October.

In making this announcement today the Prime Minister (Mr. Bruce) said the Government considered that owing to the great importance to the Commonwealth of radio communication Australia should be represented at the Congress. Many important phases in which Australia was interested would be dealt with, including the questions of the wave-lengths to be used for broadcasting, the use of wireless stations for the transmission of Press messages, the wave-lengths for international stations, and the use of wireless on ships.

## HOME-MADE SETS.

It would be interesting if we could find out the number of receivers in use that are home-made. By home-made one means, of course, the assembling together of component parts of the set obtained from radio traders. We are apt to class all sets not made completely in the factory as home-made. Actually there are very few sets that can properly be called home-made. Home assembled is a better description. There may be and probably are still a few crystal sets that are made up by the enthusiastic and energetic owners from details supplied by the wireless traders. The preparation of the former, winding of the coil or coils, and making of the connections, and even the cat whisker—all the work of making a crystal receiver, except the actual crystal itself—that constitutes a home-made set really. In some cases, indeed, the actual piece of crystal is obtained other than from a wireless shop.

In the construction of "home-made" valve sets one comes across energetic workers who make up the inductances, resistances, and the condensers—all in fact, but the valves. We thus can say that there are some sets that can not unreasonably be called home-made sets. But the number of home assembled sets is probably greater. So many traders are selling component parts with very complete instructions for assembly. And there are many "kits" that are really complete sets disassembled or disconnected, and all ready for assembling. The purchasers of these kits must constitute a large proportion of the listeners. Not only in the metropolitan district but in the country centres there are sets found. Undoubtedly the greater number is in the suburban areas. Crystal sets and what might be termed low-powered valve sets are plentiful in these parts. The owners of the sets are near to the traders, and any difficulties met with in finally assembling the set or in testing it can be remedied as advice is thus easily obtained.

## RADIO HINTS.

Make a habit of cleaning the solder tips on the prongs of the valves once every three months. The lead in the solder soon oxidises, with the result that poor or indifferent contact is made between the pin and the contact on the valve socket, producing not only unstable reception, but also a lot of noise that is very often put down to statics. A rub over with some very fine emery paper or the edge of a knife is all that is necessary.

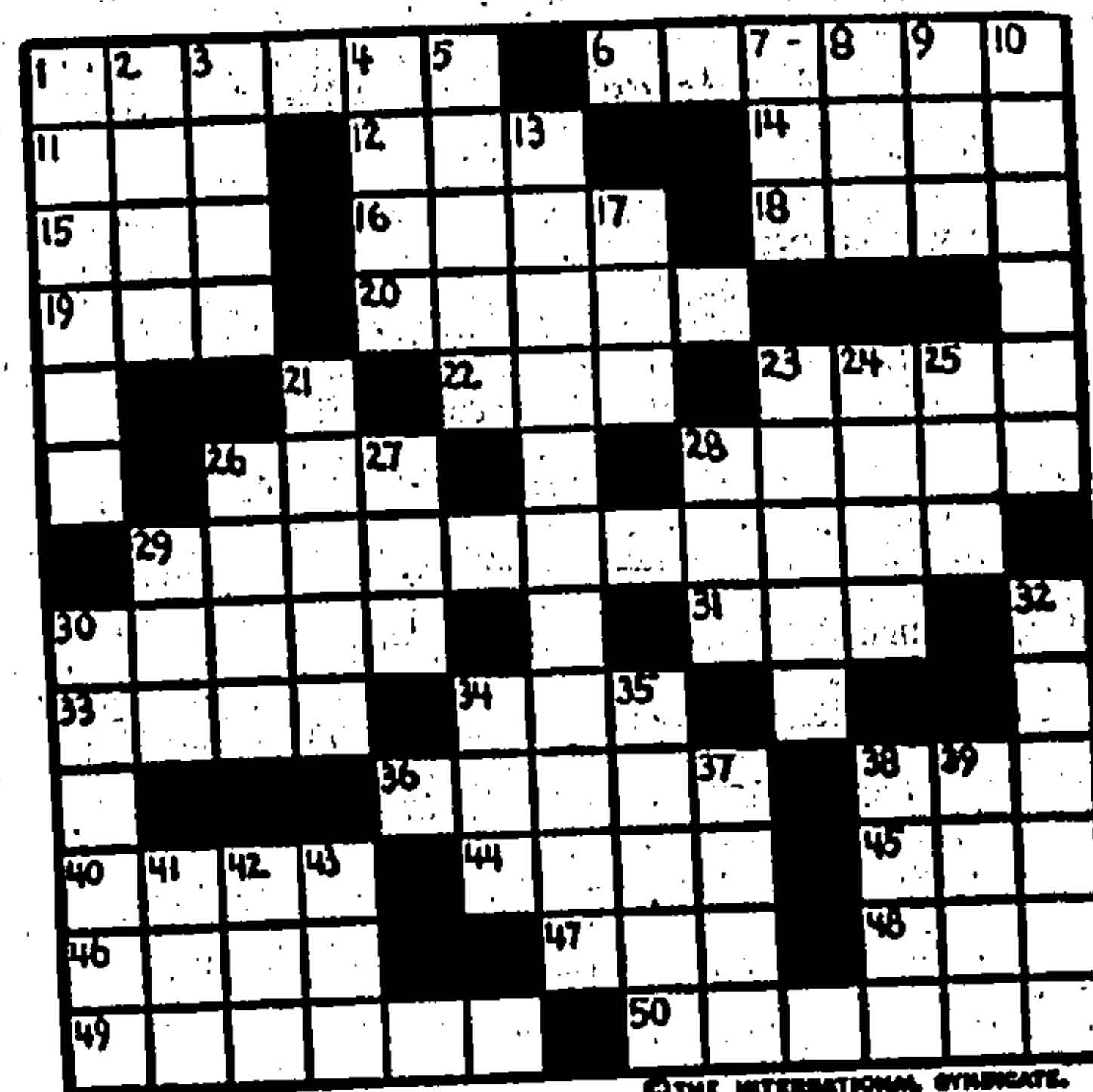
Low pitched howls are often caused in the loud speakers of neodyne sets by careless disposition of the speaker cord. This should on no account be placed so that it runs parallel with the earth or aerial wires. If possible keep the cord at the other end of the set.

Bad reception and crackling noises in receiving sets are nearly always caused by loose or dirty contacts, either in the set or on the batteries. Always look over these points before blaming the broadcasting station or the weather conditions.

Always avoid, as far as possible kinks in the flexible wires leading

## DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



SUGGESTIONS FOR SOLVING CROSS-WORD PUZZLES  
 Start out by filling in the words of which you feel reasonably sure. These will give you a clue to other words crossing them, and they in turn to still others. A letter belongs in each white space, words starting at the numbered squares and running either horizontally or vertically or both.

## HORIZONTAL

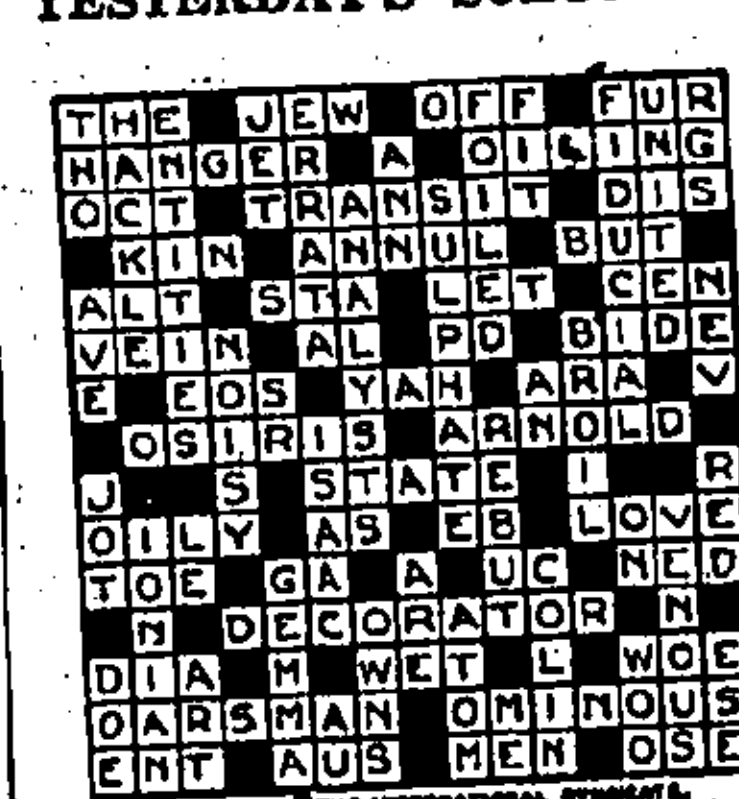
- 1—Unwilling
- 2—To delay
- 11—A polite entertainment
- 12—Cutting implement
- 14—Intermittent fever
- 15—Sailor
- 16—Jewels
- 18—Models of activity
- 19—Aggregate
- 20—Path
- 22—Levy
- 23—Famous mountains
- 25—Pronoun
- 28—Treat contemptuously
- 29—Twisting
- 30—Swelled out
- 31—Swamp
- 32—Otherwise
- 34—Venomous snake
- 35—Place of property
- 38—Edge
- 40—Pronoun
- 44—Man of courage
- 45—One hundred square meters
- 46—Departed
- 47—Misdeed
- 48—Unit of weight
- 49—Proceeds inside
- 50—Fable

## VERTICAL

- 1—Assault
- 2—Kind of meat
- 3—Robinson
- 4—Food starch
- 5—Make effort
- 7—Tag
- 8—Period of time
- 9—Repeat of
- 10—Stop
- 13—Confuses
- 17—A digit
- 21—Burn slightly
- 23—Apart
- 24—Drawn out
- 26—Secretion from sores
- 28—Domestic animals
- 27—A pen
- 29—White tile
- 30—Name of a President of U. S. (familiar)
- 32—Insect
- 32—Rely
- 34—Tree
- 35—Danger
- 37—Sound
- 38—Behind time
- 40—Metal
- 41—Fowl
- 43—Frequently (poetic)
- 48—American Indian

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in Monday's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

## YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION.



either to the loud speaker or telephones. This is made up of many strands of tinsel wire, which is rather delicate, and should be treated with care.

Make a habit of ordering replacements for the "B" batteries, when the voltage of each 45 volt unit drops to 36 volts. This drop indicates that the battery is nearly at the end of its life. Another point is that at this stage of a battery's life an active chemical decomposition takes place in the cells and makes itself known in the receiver by spluttering and popping noises. New batteries, of course, completely rectify the trouble.

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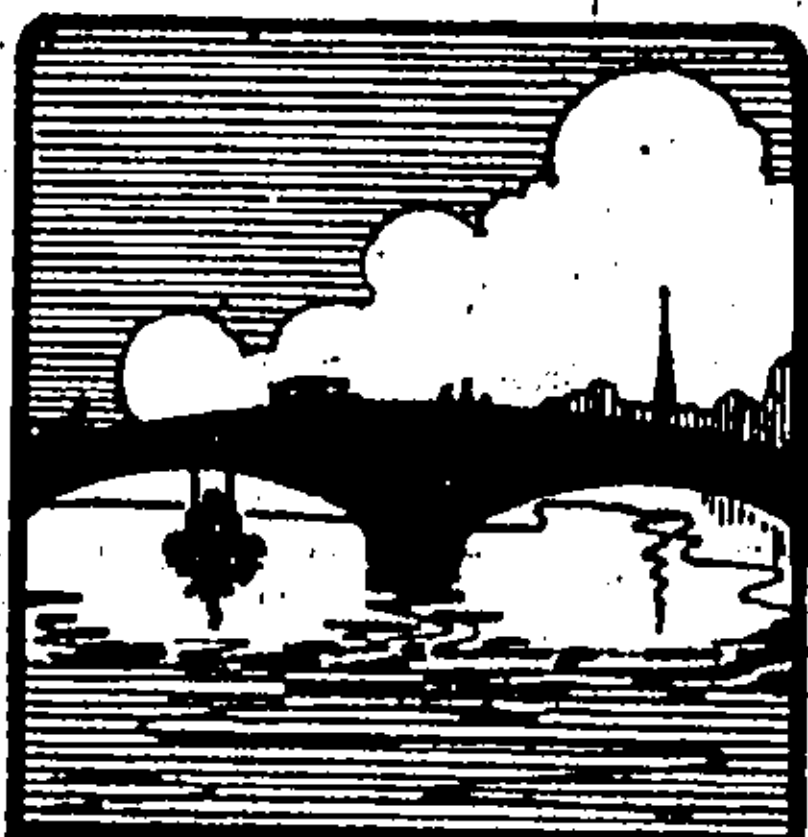
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### JHANSI BRIGADE.

#### DEPARTURE FROM SHANGHAI

#### REMAINING BATTALIONS TO LEAVE NEXT MONTH.

Shanghai, Aug. 28.  
The remaining battalions and personnel comprising the 9th (Jhansi) Infantry Brigade, with Brigade Staff, are now winding up preparations for their departure to India whence they came on the heels of the Gloucesters and Durhams last February. The two main Regiments 4/1 Punjab and 3/14 Punjab are included in this general withdrawal of the Jhansi Brigade which will commence on either September 3 or 4 when the military transport "Karmala" will conduct the Brigade Staff, the two regiments in question except transport and the 33rd Field Ambulance back to India. The "Sellaophon" posted to sail on either September 8 or 9 will carry the transport of the Indian Battalions, all Ordnance Personnel, all Indian Army Service Corps personnel, the Brigade Signal Section, Pack Wireless Section and 120 remaining members of the Gloucesters and Durham Light Infantry which battalions left on July 23 for their original stations in India.

#### Among the First.

Apart from the fact that they were among the first to arrive in Shanghai during the clouds of early spring, the Indian Battalions have provided a picturesque and much appreciated element in the defences of Shanghai. Mobilised in Jhansi on January 21, they were ready to leave seven days later, their despatch being in itself a feat of no small dimensions. They arrived here on February 16, three days after the streets of Shanghai thronged with welcome shouts for the Gloucesters and the Durhams. The Punjabis with their war-whoops and general air of efficiency elicited the same sound of approval upon their arrival. They did not disembark, however, for five days after arrival, remaining on board their transport until billets in Yangtzepoo were ready.

Thereafter the 3/14 were billeted in the China Soap and Candle Works in Yangtzepoo, and 4/1 in the Waterworks. Late in February the 3/14 were posted in Jessfield and the Soochow Creek area and the 4/1 along the Creek at Markham Road until relieved by companies of the Beds and Herts and the Borders about March 6. On March 21, when they had returned to their original billets, they saw active service once more when the Northern troops passed into the Settlement after being disarmed.

#### An Early Casualty.

It will be remembered, also, that when Shanghai saw its sprouting of "Nationalist" flags and a day of excitement attended by "sniping" in the Hongkew district by presumably Nationalist soldiers in plainclothes, the eastern district was patrolled by the Punjab troops, the 4/1 going to the Public School for Boys in Hongkew. One man of their number, belonging to the 4/1, was killed and one wounded in the fracas of the day.

Since the tension has relaxed on the Settlement boundaries, the line of their patrol has extended from Hongkew Creek to the Whangpoo in the eastern district. The Punjab Regiments have had their own hockey held in Wetmore Road, where some good hockey matches were played and where all the facilities of a recreational centre were afforded them.

The Punjab troops distinguished themselves at the Torchlight Tattoo on the King's Birthday when the 4/1 Regiment provided spectators with an intricate exhibition of club swinging and when the 3/14 gave one of the most picturesque events of the whole programme in their Khattak Dance.

The latter regiment is composed of one company each of Sikhs, Dogras, Pathans and Mohammedans from the Punjab while the 4/1 is made up of Mohammedans from the Punjab, of a company of Brahmmins from the united provinces and of two companies of Garhwali Brahmmins. These castes provide more regiments for the Indian Army than any other and form what may be called the very backbone of the army. They have a reputation for high courage in battle, the two departing regiments having served

with an excellent record in the Macedonian Campaign during the Great War. With the exception of the Garhwali companies they are all plainmen. The 3/14 has been in Jansi since February 1924 where they took up their post after Aden and the 4/1 Regiment have been stationed in Jhansi since January 1926, whence they came from Waziristan and frontier duty.

#### No Bazaars to Attract.

Their stay in Shanghai has been somewhat enlivened through the presence of hopeful seditionist Indians residing here who lost no opportunity after the appearance of the Punjab troops in our midst of sowing seeds of dissent against the British Government. The fact, however, that five of these seditionists were apprehended, tried, given terms of imprisonment and thereafter deported, their original detection having been brought about by the troops themselves, speaks well for the loyalty of the Indian soldiers. It is said that they are decidedly glad to be returning to India though not sorry to have missed the worst part of the year's heat in that country and one of the chief reasons given for this enthusiasm is to be found in the Indian bazaars, the like of which Shanghai has not been able to provide for the Punjab visitors.

Boys and girls nowadays have been kind enough to undertake education of their parents.—Archbishop of York.

Liberalism is back in the ring again. Last year his opponents were counting him out and they thought his number was almost up.—Mr. Lloyd George.



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WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 31  
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa 9.30 a.m.  
Swatow, Amoy & Formosa 10.30 a.m.  
Batavia 2.30 p.m.  
Swatow 3.30 p.m.  
Touane 3.30 p.m.  
Shanghai & Europe via Siberia 4.30 p.m.  
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 1  
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Letters 1 p.m.  
Swatow 2.30 p.m.  
Manila 3.30 p.m.  
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 2  
Manila, Sandakan, Australia & New Zealand via Thursday Island due Thursday Noon.  
17th Sept. Parcels Noon.  
Registration 1.45 p.m. Letters 2.30 p.m.  
Shanghai, Japan & Europe via Siberia 2.30 p.m.  
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SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 4  
Swatow, Amoy & Formosa 9 a.m.  
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## COMMUNAL STRIFE.

Viceroy on Indian Animosities.

CAUSE OF MANY DEATHS.

To Bring Together Hindus And Moslems.

Simla, Yesterday.  
In a crowded Assembly, the Viceroy, in a speech on the communal question, emphasised that within 18 months a communal strife had been responsible for between 250 and 300 deaths and over 2,500 people being injured. It was so much in Indian social life that it cried out for remedy and reform, but the task would be sorely handicapped as long as the country was distracted and torn by the present animosities. India desired to win self-government and it was Great Britain's task to guide her to this end. They were both vitally confronted with the necessity of laying the spectre besetting the path of their common hopes. His hopes of an agreement between the communities had been disappointed, although he was pleased to see the recent indications of fresh efforts to bring together the Hindus and Moslems. He would gladly associate himself with any genuine attempt to find a practical solution to these miserable differences and he would throw his whole energies into this honourable quest (loud applause). The speech made a marked impression in Indian circles.—Reuter.

## RAN INTO HARBOUR.

MOTOR CAR AND THREE MEN GET DUCKING.

COXSAIN'S PLUCKY RESCUE.

A public car ran into the Harbour, just the other side of Blake Pier, at 1.15 a.m. this morning. The occupants, two Chinese males, and the driver all escaped with only a wetting. Immediately the car hit the water they managed to break clear, two being seen struggling in the water. The launches near threw out life buoys, one of which was caught by one of the struggling men. The second man was not within reach so a motor boat coxswain named Kwok Yue-kum, seeing his plight, immediately dived in and brought him to Blake Pier, thus effecting a commendable rescue, at a time when the man seemed nearly spent. The coxswain then went back and assisted the second man to shore. The driver of the car managed to reach one of the motor boats.

## AN OLD HAND.

ADDS TO PRISONER'S SENTENCE.

FINGER-PRINT PROOF.

An adjourned case was heard before Lt.-Comdr. G. F. Hole, R.N., Harbour Master, at the Marine Court this morning when three unlicensed hawkers of Chiu Chau and a shop assistant of the same district were charged with unlawfully boarding the a.s. "Hong Peng" as she was lying at Buoy A11. The men had previously pleaded guilty but the case was adjourned owing to the fourth man denying that he had previous convictions against him by the Police. Evidence was given this morning by Sub-Inspector Vincent, of the Police finger-print department as to identification of the prisoner as a man who had been convicted twice for assault. His Worship thereupon sentenced the first three prisoners to one month's imprisonment and the fourth to two months' imprisonment, with hard labour.

## WET, WINDY WEATHER.

LOCATIONS OF TWO TYPHOONS.

"North east winds, possibly increasing to a gale; generally overcast; occasional rain," is the official weather forecast until noon to-morrow.

A depression has formed over the Sea of Japan. The western typhoon is less than 100 miles east of Naha moving N.N.E. Another typhoon has formed near the Philippines. Its direction of motion is unknown.

## SHOCKED.

Chinese Who Was Electrocuted.

DANGERS OF DAMP.

Coroner Censures Apprentice Electrician.

A young Chinese apprentice electrician was severely censured by the Coroner (Mr. R. E. Lindsell) at the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon when his Worship and a jury held an inquiry into the circumstances attending the death of the Chinese who was electrocuted on the premises of Messrs. Mustard and Co., in Alexandra Building about a week ago.

The chief clerk of Mustard and Co., was the first witness called. He said the basement of the premises was flooded as the result of the recent typhoon, and the deceased (Chan Pak-sau) a godown coolie, fetched an electrician to attend to the electrical wiring. Returning with the electrician, Chan opened the door of a side storeroom and entered in the darkness. Immediately he cried out "Hi-yah," and then nothing more was heard. Not knowing where the main switch was, the witness was unable to shut off the current, so he telephoned for the ambulance.

Mr. L. J. Cave an assistant of the Company spoke about hunting for the main switch. Finally he went over to Messrs. Watson and Co., to see if they could switch off the current, and they promised to fetch a man in the building who knew where the switch was.

Proceeding, the witness said that in the basement there was a flexible wire suspended from the ceiling with a lamp attached. This wire was wet, and on investigation it was found that the wire which looped on to the floor was broken a short distance from the floor. The broken end was in the water which covered the floor to a depth of some two inches. A part of the wire was found wrapped round Chan's body. The witness succeeded in getting the deceased out of the storeroom.

Wet Wires.  
Captain F. L. Brown of the Hong Kong Electric Company told the Court that there were main fuses but he did not think there was a main switch for the whole building. Speaking about the flexible wire, the witness said that if the length dangling from the ceiling was wet and "alive" anyone touching it would receive a shock. He had examined the lengths of broken wire and thought that they had burned out by reason of their wet state. At first sight the wire looked as though it had been torn apart, and this gave the suggestion that Chan had caught hold of the wire, and had broken it when falling after receiving the fatal shock.

Dr. Alexander Cannon spoke about holding the post mortem examination and said he found all the symptoms of death being caused by electric shock. At home, the witness said, the lowest voltage known to have caused death was 240, while in Hong Kong it was as low as 200 volts. Shocks do not always prove fatal, and if artificial respiration was resorted to immediately and continued for at least an hour, the possibility was that the victim might be revived. Many lives were lost by the fact that artificial respiration was not applied immediately. In the present case artificial respiration was not tried soon enough.

Directed To Earth.  
Mr. A. E. Clarke of the Electrical Department of the P.W.D. advanced the theory that

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## TO-DAY'S DOLLAR.

The closing rate of the dollar on demand to-day was 1/11 7/16.

## U.S. OUTPUT.

Declines In Number Of Manufactures.

LESS MOTOR CARS.

Factory Employment And Wages Lowest Since 1924.

New York, Yesterday.  
Iron and steel production last month was the smallest since 1925, according to the Federal Reserve Board's monthly report. The output of motor cars in July and early August was considerably below the figure for the corresponding period last year. The production of tyres, non-ferrous metals, food products and woollen textiles also show declines.

Factory employment and wages were smaller than in any month since 1924. Cotton consumption, however, though smaller than in June, was unusually large for this season of the year.—Reuter's American Service.

## DOG SHOOTING.

QUESTION BY HON. MR. D. G. M. BERNARD.

At Thursday's meeting of the Legislative Council the Hon. Mr. D. G. M. Bernard, pursuant to notice, will ask:—

Will the Government cause an inquiry to be held into (a) the circumstances connected with the shooting of dogs at Jardine's Corner, Peak, on Saturday afternoon and Sunday morning, July 23 and 24, having due regard to the people using the roads and the necessity or otherwise of such drastic action; (b) the method of enforcing the muzzling regulations and make recommendations for the future?

The deceased must have felt along the wire for the lamp end in order to switch on the light, and as soon as he touched the wet lamp and switch these combined to give him a shock. The current would be directed to earth because the deceased was standing in water.

The next witness was the apprentice electrician who went to the basement with the deceased. He said that he discovered a fuse had been blown out, and on putting a screw driver across the points sparks flashed out. He put in another fuse, but this also blew out. Chan then entered the side storeroom while the witness stood behind him holding a candle. The witness saw Chan catch hold of the flexible wire and then suddenly called out "Hi-yah" and collapse against the wall. The witness ran upstairs for help.

Further Evidence.  
Replying to the Coroner, the witness said that in spite of the fact that he knew something was seriously wrong with the wiring, he allowed Chan to enter the dark storeroom without warning him not to touch the wires.

Mr. Lindsell told the witness that he ought to be ashamed of himself, and that he was, in fact, partially responsible for Chan's death.

Witness replied that he did not know what was really the matter with the wires.  
Mr. Lindsell: Don't make excuses. You had no right to have got the job to start with, but that is probably your master's fault.  
Sergt. MacDonald told Mr. Lindsell that there were no more witnesses. He added that Messrs. Watson's owned the whole building.

Mr. Lindsell said he would like to have evidence with regard to the switches. Apparently Messrs. Watson and Co. were responsible for the various fuses in the place, other than those installed by the Electric Company. He would like evidence from Messrs. Watson and Co. as to where the fuses governing the lights in the various parts of the building were situated, and what steps they took to notify their tenants where the switches were.

The inquiry was adjourned until noon on Thursday next for this evidence to be given.

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